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Held at Christian Church, Durham, N. C., April 27-30, 1926.

FIRST DAY—EVENING SESSION.

The Southern Christian Convention met in Twenty-seventh Regular Session at 7:30 o'clock. Special musical program rendered by the choir of the Christian Church. Welcome service conducted by Rev. Stanley C. Harrell, pastor of the Christian Church. Convention called to order by Dr. L. E. Smith, President.

Delegates were enrolled as follows:

Alabama Conference.—Elders: G. D. Hunt, S. L. Beougher.

Laymen: V. E. Kitchen, J. W. Lane.

Georgia and Alabama Conference.—Elder: H. W. Elder.

Eastern North Carolina Conference.—Elders: R. L. Williamson, H. C. Caviness, J. Lee Johnson, W. C. Wicker, B. J. Howard, J. Fuller Johnson.

Laymen: E. W. Neville, Chas. N. Johnson, Mrs. Chas. N. Johnson, W. A. Newman, K. B. Johnson, L. C. Huffines, John Murray, J. U. Gunter, J. A. Kimball, C. H. Stephenson, W. R. Rodgers, L. L. Vaughan.

Western North Carolina Conference.—Elders: T. E. White, G. O. Lankford, G. R. Underwood.

Laymen: E. L. Moffitt, W. K. Holt, Junius H. Harden, W. R. Sellers, Mrs. W. R. Sellers, Mrs. G. R. Underwood.

North Carolina and Virginia Conference.—Elders: W. S. Alexander, J. U. Newman, J. Webster Patton, J. S. Carden, T. Fred Wright, J. O. Atkinson, P. H. Fleming, Stanley C. Harrell, R. A. Whitten, C. H. Rowland.

Laymen: Chas. D. Johnston, W. P. Lawrence, W. H. Boone, Mrs. W. H. Boone, Mrs. W. A. Harper, Dr. W. A. Harper (president of Elon College, N. C.), Mrs. L. M. Clymer, L. M. Clymer.

Virginia Valley Central Conference.—Elders: W. T. Walters, R. Perry Crumpler, A. W. Andes.

Laymen: Mrs. A. W. Andes, Mrs. B. F. Frank.

Eastern Virginia Conference.—Elders: Milton W. Sutcliffe, G. C. Crutchfield, Warren H. Denison, H. B. Hall, F. C. Lester, Wm. D. Parry, R. C. Helfenstein, Jas. L. Foster, C. C. Ryan, J. F. Morgan, H. E. Truitt, W. B. Fuller, H. S. Hardcastle, B. J. Earp, O. D. Poythress, W. D. Harward, Henry W. Dowding, W. W. Staley, N. G. Newman, James H. Lightbourne, John G. Truitt, I. W. Johnson.

Laymen: L. R. Jones, E. T. Holland, Jesse F. West, P. J. Kernodle, J. A. Williams, J. W. Felton, E. E. Holland, W. V. Leathers, Mrs. W. V. Leathers, Mrs. M. L. Bryant, Mrs. L. B. Faison, Mrs. E. P. Jones, Mrs. L. W. Stagg, Mrs. J. S. Rollings, B. E. White, M. J. W. White, Junius E. West, Mrs. W. D. Harward, Mrs. M. J. W. White, Mrs. B. E. White, Mrs. H. E. Truitt, Mrs. H. S. Hardcastle, Mrs. L. R. Jones.

Convention sermon by Rev. H. S. Hardcastle, pastor of the Christian Church, Suffolk, Va.; theme: "Jesus, the Disturber of Men" (text: Matt. 10:34). Prayer led by Dr. L. E. Smith.

It was moved and carried that the delegates to the Woman's Convention be invited and enrolled as associate members of the Convention.

The following were enrolled:

Eastern North Carolina Conference.—Mrs. W. T. Walters, Mrs. L. L. Vaughan, Mrs. R. L. Williamson, Mrs. H. C. Caviness, Miss Margaret P. Alston.

North Carolina and Virginia Conference.—Miss Gertrude Browne, Miss Rosa Best.

Virginia Valley Central Conference.—Mrs. B. F. Frank.

Eastern Virginia Conference.—Mrs. B. E. White, Mrs. J. A. Williams, Mrs. W. H. Harward, Mrs. Jos. G. Holland, Mrs. W. H. Jones, Mrs. L. N. Norfleet, Mrs. J. B. Gay, Mrs. C. C. Rawles, Mrs. W. H. Andrews, Mrs. H. E. Truitt, Mrs. W. H. Jones.

It was moved and carried that the program as submitted by the Executive Board be adopted, subject to change by the Convention.

It was moved and carried that the following visitors be invited to seats as deliberative members: Dr. D. H. Scanlon, First Presbyterian Church; Rev. D. E. Eamhardt, Calvary M. E. Church; Dr. W. P. Minton, Secretary Foreign Missions, Dayton, Ohio; A. F. Chase, Publishing Agent, Dayton, Ohio; Dr. D. A. Long; Rev. T. O. Wingate, P. E. Church, Gibbsboro, N. J.

The Convention then adjourned until 9 A. M. Wednesday. Benediction by Rev. H. S. Hardcastle.

SECOND DAY—FORENOON SESSION.

The Convention met and was called to order at 9 o'clock, April 28, 1926. Prayer by Rev. M. W. Sutcliffe. Roll Call. Minutes of yesterday read and approved.

Report of Dr. W. C. Wicker, Treasurer, was read and referred to the Committee on Finance. Adopted as follows:

REPORT OF TREASURER OF THE SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN CONVENTION.

1924	COLLEGE FUND.		
11- 3	Samuel Earman, Treas.	$ 255.00	
11- 8	J. W. Payne, Treas.	170.86	
11-28	H. C. Simpson	753.30	
12-10	H. B. Floyd, Treas.	89.84	
12-15	I. W. Johnston, Sec.	1,625.00	
12-20	W. J. Ballentine, Treas.	427.80	
12-22	O. D. Lawrence, Treas.	379.88	
12-17	T. C. Amick, Treas., No. 165	.....	$ 753.30
1925			
1-14	S. L. Beougher, Pres., No. 172	.....	3,440.98
11-16	J. W. Payne, Treas.	222.73	
11-28	Samuel Earman, Treas.	240.00	
11-28	O. D. Lawrence, Treas.	396.35	
12- 3	I. W. Johnson, Sec.	1,575.00	
12-18	W. J. Ballentine, Treas.	494.75	
12-16	H. C. Simpson, Treas.	697.50	
12-28	T. C. Amick, Treas., No. 219	.....	2,500.00
12-29	J. J. Carter, Treas., No. 222	.....	222.73
1926			
4-28	Balance	.....	150.30
		$ 7,328.01	$ 7,328.01
4-22	Balance	150.30	
1924	CONVENTION FUND.		
4-25	Balance	$ 1,919.83	
4-26	L. E. Smith, Pres., for "Sun"	300.00	
4-26	L. E. Smith, Pres., M. & M.	120.00	
6-20	L. E. Smith, Pres., for "Sun" M. & M.	150.00	
6-20	L. E. Smith, Pres., M. & M.	60.00	
4-26	Dr. J. P. Barrett, Editor, No. 113	.....	150.00
5- 2	Mary Andrews, No. 121	.....	20.00
5- 2	Mrs. J. P. Barrett, No. 122	.....	150.00
5- 2	I. W. Johnson, No. 123	.....	25.00
5-20	L. E. Smith, Pres., No. 127	.....	57.40
5-29	Mrs. J. P. Barrett, No. 129	.....	150.00
5-29	P. J. Kernodle, No. 130	.....	98.00
6-10	J. O. Atkinson, Editor, No. 131	.....	5.90
6-10	The Florist (J. P. Barrett), No. 134	.....	50.00
11- 3	Samuel Earman, Treas.	60.00	
11- 8	J. W. Payne, Treas.	30.51	
9-23	W. A. Harper, No. 141	.....	28.00
9-23	W. K. Holt, No. 142	.....	28.00
10- 3	J. O. Atkinson, No. 147	.....	5.00
10- 7	P. J. Kernodle, No. 149	.....	250.00
10-18	Upton G. Wilson, No. 150	.....	5.65

10-30	W. T. Walters, No. 151	.....	3.77
10-30	I. W. Johnson, No. 152	.....	7.00
10-30	P. J. Kernodle, No. 153	.....	5.70
11- 7	P. J. Kernodle, No. 155	.....	250.00
11-28	H. C. Simpson, Treas.	170.10	
12-10	H. B. Floyd, Treas.	42.27	
12-10	L. E. Smith, Pres., M. & M.	130.15	
12-10	L. E. Smith, Pres., M. & M., S. C. C.	52.06	
12-10	I. W. Johnson, Sec.	810.00	
12-20	W. J. Ballentine, Treas.	93.00	
12-22	O. D. Lawrence, Treas.	85.78	
12-24	L. E. Smith, Pres., M. & M.	125.00	
12-24	L. E. Smith, Pres., M. & M., Con. F.	50.00	
3-14	L. E. Smith, Pres., M. & M., "Sun"	200.00	
3-14	L. E. Smith, Pres., M. & M., Con. F.	80.00	
5-16	L. E. Smith, Pres., M. & M., Con. F.	50.00	
5-16	L. E. Smith, Pres., M. & M., "Sun"	125.00	
12-23	L. E. Smith, Pres., No. 167	.....	19.34
1925			
1- 5	Central Publishing Co., No. 168	.....	250.00
2-16	J. F. Burnett, No. 176	.....	527.97
3-31	P. J. Kernodle, No. 178	.....	132.00
4-29	J. O. Atkinson, No. 182	.....	11.00
8-15	L. E. Smith, Pres., M. & M.	50.00	
8-15	L. E. Smith, Pres., M. & M., "Sun"	125.00	
11-10	H. B. Floyd, Treas.	55.93	
11-16	J. W. Payne, Treas.	39.77	
11-28	Samuel Earman, Treas.	60.00	
11-28	O. D. Lawrence, Treas.	89.50	
12- 3	I. W. Johnson, Sec.	790.00	
12-12	P. J. Kernodle, No. 192	.....	250.00
12-12	W. T. Walters, No. 201	.....	7.15
12-12	S. M. Lyman, No. 203	.....	22.50
12-12	W. A. Harper, No. 204	.....	23.22
12-18	W. J. Ballentine, Treas.	111.72	
12-16	H. C. Simpson, Treas.	157.50	
1926			
1-10	P. J. Kernodle, No. 223	.....	250.00
1-16	W. K. Holt, No. ——	.....	28.70
1-19	L. L. Vaughan, No. 225	.....	18.11
1-19	L. E. Smith, No. 226	.....	10.00
1-19	L. E. Smith, No. 227	.....	6.50
1-22	J. O. Atkinson, No. 228	.....	9.60
3-19	P. J. Kernodle, No. 235	.....	250.00
4-22	Balance	.....	3,027.61
		$ 6,133.12	$ 6,133.12
4-22	Balance	3,027.61	

1924 CONVENTION MISSIONS.

11- 3	Samuel Earman, Treas.	$ 250.00
11- 8	J. W. Payne, Treas.	61.02
11-28	H. C. Simpson, Treas.	753.30
12-10	H. B. Floyd, Treas.	89.84
12-15	I. W. Johnson, Sec.	1,225.00
12-20	W. J. Ballentine, Treas.	427.80
12-22	O. D. Lawrence, Treas.	379.88

1925			
1-12	J. O. Atkinson, Sec., No. 171	.....	3,186.84
11-10	H. S. Floyd, Treas.	118.86	
11-16	J. W. Payne, Treas.	79.54	
11-28	Samuel Earman, Treas.	240.00	
11-28	O. D. Lawrence, Treas.	396.35	
12- 3	I. W. Johnson, Sec.	1,180.00	
12-18	W. J. Ballentine, Treas.	494.75	
12-16	H. C. Simpson, Treas.	697.50	
12-28	R. W. Malone, Treas., No. 220	.....	3,207.00
		$ 6,393.84	$ 6,393.84

WOMAN'S HOME AND FOREIGN MISSION BOARD.

4-29	Balance	$ 235.30	
4-26	Mrs. W. T. Walters, Treas.	50.00	
4-26	Mrs. W. T. Walters, Treas. (Jap. relief)	6.51	
4-26	Mrs. W. T. Walters, Treas. (Dona Del.)	100.00	
4-26	Mrs. W. T. Walters, Treas., Japan kindergarten and night school	33.95	
4-26	Mrs. W. T. Walters, Treas. (Jap. S. S.)	25.00	
4-26	Mrs. W. T. Walters, Treas. (Christian Orph.)	200.00	
4-26	Mrs. W. T. Walters, Treas. (Mt. work)	500.00	
4-26	Mrs. W. T. Walters, Treas. (Porto R. Church)	319.00	
4-26	Mrs. W. T. Walters, Treas. (El. Gust. F.)	4.00	
4-26	Mrs. W. T. Walters, Treas. (Mrs. F.'s S.)	50.00	
4-26	Mrs. W. T. Walters, Treas. (Jap. student)	100.00	
5-16	Mrs. W. T. Walters, Treas. (J. O. Atkinson)	300.00	
5-16	Mrs. W. T. Walters, Treas. (D. P. Barrett)	47.50	
5-16	Mrs. W. T. Walters, Treas. (Pattie Coghill)	50.00	
7-11	Mrs. W. T. Walters, Treas. (Sendai F.)	250.00	
9-23	Mrs. W. T. Walters, Treas. (Pattie Coghill)	25.00	
9-23	Mrs. W. T. Walters, Treas. (Bible W. Jap.)	66.75	
9-23	Mrs. W. T. Walters, Treas. (Jap. special)	134.73	
9-23	Mrs. W. T. Walters, Treas. (Jap. special)	100.00	
4-26	J. O. Atkinson, No. 108	.....	500.00
4-26	J. O. Atkinson, No. 109	.....	319.00
4-26	J. O. Atkinson, No. 110	.....	4.00
4-26	J. O. Atkinson, No. 111	.....	50.00
4-26	W. A. Harper, No. 112	.....	100.00
4-29	J. O. Atkinson, No. 114	.....	50.00
4-29	J. O. Atkinson, No. 115	.....	6.51
4-29	J. O. Atkinson, No. 116	.....	100.00
4-29	J. O. Atkinson, No. 117	.....	33.95
4-29	J. O. Atkinson, No. 118	.....	25.00
4-29	C. D. Johnston, No. 119	.....	200.00
5-20	J. O. Atkinson, No. 124	.....	300.00
5-20	J. O. Atkinson, No. 125	.....	47.50
5-20	J. O. Atkinson, Sec., No. 126	.....	50.00
7-21	J. O. Atkinson, Sec., No. 136	.....	250.00
11-15	Mrs. W. T. Walters, Treas. (Jap. special)	1,030.00	
11-15	Mrs. W. T. Walters, Treas. (Porto R. special)	834.52	
11-15	Mrs. W. T. Walters, Treas. (Richmond Church)	1,575.00	
11-15	Mrs. W. T. Walters, Treas. (Jap. Min.)	150.00	
11-15	Mrs. W. T. Walters, Treas. (Richmond Church)	425.00	
11-15	Mrs. W. T. Walters, Treas. (Jap. Stu. E.)	150.00	
11-15	Mrs. W. T. Walters, Treas. (Mt. work)	500.00	
11-15	Mrs. W. T. Walters, Treas. (P. Mt. Home)	36.00	
9-24	J. O. Atkinson, No. 143	.....	134.73

9-24	J. O. Atkinson, No. 144	.....	100.00
9-24	Pattie Coghill, No. 145	.....	25.00
9-24	J. O. Atkinson, No. 146	.....	66.75
1925			
1- 2	J. O. Atkinson, No. 156	.....	1,030.00
1- 2	J. O. Atkinson, No. 157	.....	834.52
1- 2	J. O. Atkinson, No. 158	.....	1,575.00
1- 2	J. O. Atkinson, No. 159	.....	150.00
1- 2	J. O. Atkinson, No. 160	.....	425.00
1- 2	W. A. Harper, No. 161	.....	150.00
1- 2	J. O. Atkinson, No. 162	.....	500.00
1- 2	J. O. Atkinson, No. 163	.....	36.00
4- 3	Mrs. W. T. Walters, Treas. (Jap. special)	2,225.00	
4- 6	Mrs. W. T. Walters, Treas. (P. Mt. Home)	36.00	
5-25	Mrs. W. T. Walters, Treas. (Fancy Gap)	107.48	
5-25	Mrs. W. T. Walters, Treas. (Rocky F. Church)	525.00	
5-25	Mrs. W. T. Walters, Treas. (Jap. Stu.)	100.00	
5-25	Mrs. W. T. Walters, Treas. (Sendai Orph.)	35.80	
5-25	Mrs. W. T. Walters, Treas. (Mrs. F.'s school)	30.00	
5-25	Mrs. W. T. Walters, Treas. (Rev. K.'s school)	300.00	
5-25	Mrs. W. T. Walters, Treas. (Jap. S. S.)	25.00	
4- 3	J. O. Atkinson, Treas., No. 180	.....	2,225.00
4-18	J. O. Atkinson, Sec., No. 181	.....	36.00
5-28	J. O. Atkinson, Sec., No. 184	.....	107.48
5-28	J. O. Atkinson, Treas., No. 185	.....	525.00
5-28	W. A. Harper, Pres., No. 186	.....	100.00
5-28	W. P. Minton, Sec., No. 187	.....	35.80
5-28	W. P. Minton, Sec., No. 188	.....	300.00
5-28	W. P. Minton, Sec., No. 189	.....	25.00
9-14	Mrs. W. T. Walters, Treas. (Mt. work)	114.11	
9-14	Mrs. W. T. Walters, Treas. (Jap. Bible W.)	25.00	
9-14	Mrs. W. T. Walters, Treas. (Sendai Orph.)	37.21	
9-14	Mrs. W. T. Walters, Treas. (Rocky F. Church)	219.57	
9-14	Mrs. W. T. Walters, Treas. (P. Mt. Home)	30.00	
9-14	Mrs. W. T. Walters, Treas. (Stu. at Elon)	125.00	
1-22	Mrs. W. T. Walters, Treas. (Rocky F. Church)	250.00	
11- 5	Mrs. W. T. Walters, Treas. (Richmond)	566.20	
11- 5	Mrs. W. T. Walters, Treas. (Richmond work)	676.54	
11- 7	Mrs. W. T. Walters, Treas. (Richmond work)	834.30	
11- 7	Mrs. W. T. Walters, Treas. (Rocky F. Church)	408.00	
11- 7	Mrs. W. T. Walters, Treas. (Mt. work)	1,530.75	
11-19	Mrs. W. T. Walters, Treas. (Mrs. F.'s school)	50.00	
11-19	Mrs. W. T. Walters, Treas. (Jap. S. S.)	50.00	
11-19	Mrs. W. T. Walters, Treas. (Mat. Sal.)	50.00	
11-19	Mrs. W. T. Walters, Treas. (Dona Del.)	100.00	
11-19	Mrs. W. T. Walters, Treas. (Kitano's Sal.)	240.00	
12-12	J. O. Atkinson, Sec., No. 195	.....	114.11
12-12	J. O. Atkinson, Sec., No. 196	.....	25.00
12-12	J. O. Atkinson, Sec., No. 197	.....	37.21
12-12	J. O. Atkinson, Sec., No. 198	.....	219.57
12-12	J. O. Atkinson, Sec., No. 199	.....	30.00
12-12	T. C. Amick, Treas., No. 200	.....	125.00
12-12	J. O. Atkinson, No. 205	.....	1,530.75
12-12	J. O. Atkinson, No. 206	.....	834.50
12-12	J. O. Atkinson, No. 207	.....	408.00
12-12	J. O. Atkinson, No. 208	.....	676.54
12-12	J. O. Atkinson, No. 209	.....	566.20
12-12	J. O. Atkinson, No. 210	.....	240.00
12-12	J. O. Atkinson, No. 211	.....	100.00

12-12	J. O. Atkinson, No. 212	.....	50.00
12-12	J. O. Atkinson, No. 213	.....	50.00
12-12	J. O. Atkinson, No. 214	.....	50.00
12-17	Mrs. W. T. Walters, Treas. (Mt. work)	210.00	
1926			
2- 5	Mrs. W. T. Walters, Treas. (Santa J. Pas.)	993.15	
2- 5	Mrs. W. T. Walters, Treas. (Rocky F. Church)	195.36	
2- 5	Mrs. W. T. Walters, Treas. (Elk Spur S.)	75.00	
2- 5	Mrs. W. T. Walters, Treas. (Mat. Sal.)	45.00	
2- 5	Mrs. W. T. Walters, Treas. (Jap. S. S.)	12.50	
3- 2	Mrs. W. T. Walters, Treas. (Mt. work)	155.02	
12-15	J. O. Atkinson, Sec., No. 216	.....	210.00
3- 2	J. O. Atkinson, Sec., No. 234	.....	155.02
2- 8	J. O. Atkinson, Sec., No. 231	.....	75.00
2- 8	J. O. Atkinson, Sec., No. 230	.....	195.36
2- 8	J. O. Atkinson, Sec., No. 232	.....	12.50
2- 8	J. O. Atkinson, Sec., 233	.....	45.00
2- 8	J. O. Atkinson, Sec., No. 229	.....	995.15
3-24	Mrs. W. T. Walters, Treas. (Mt. work)	176.28	
3-28	J. O. Atkinson, Sec., No. 236	.....	176.28
4-22	Balance	.....	513.30
		$17,851.53	$17,851.53
4-22	Balance	513.30	

1924 MISSIONS.

4-29	Overdraft	.....	$ .02
5- 7	L. E. Smith, Pres.	$ 1,151.27	
5-24	L. E. Smith, Pres.	476.78	
7- 2	L. E. Smith, Pres.	610.28	
8- 6	L. E. Smith, Pres.	799.47	
9- 4	L. E. Smith, Pres.	569.08	
9- 9	L. E. Smith, Pres.	300.00	
5- 2	J. O. Atkinson, No. 120	.....	1,151.27
5-29	J. O. Atkinson, Sec., No. 128	.....	476.78
7- 1	J. O. Atkinson, Sec., No. 135	.....	610.28
9- 2	J. O. Atkinson, Sec., No. 139	.....	569.08
8- 2	J. O. Atkinson, Sec., No. 137	.....	799.47
10- 8	L. E. Smith, Pres.	490.83	
11- 6	L. E. Smith, Pres.	1,429.39	
9-17	J. O. Atkinson, Treas., No. 140	.....	300.00
10- 7	J. O. Atkinson, Sec.-Treas., No. 148	.....	490.00
10- 3	J. O. Atkinson, Sec., No. 154	.....	1,429.39
12-10	L. E. Smith, Pres.	572.58	
1925			
1- 2	J. O. Atkinson, Sec., No. 164	.....	572.58
2- 9	L. E. Smith, Pres.	656.93	
1- 8	L. E. Smith, Pres.	1,341.99	
3- 4	L. E. Smith, Pres.	668.02	
4- 3	L. E. Smith, Pres.	523.34	
5- 5	L. E. Smith, Pres.	609.42	
6-12	L. E. Smith, Pres.	537.67	
7- 2	L. E. Smith, Pres.	1,198.73	
1- 5	J. O. Atkinson, Sec., No. 169	.....	1,341.99
2- 4	J. O. Atkinson, No. 175	.....	656.93
3- 3	J. O. Atkinson, No. 177	.....	668.02
3-30	J. O. Atkinson, Sec., No. 179	.....	523.34
5- 2	J. O. Atkinson, No. 183	.....	609.42

5- 8	J. O. Atkinson, Sec., No. 190	.....	537.67
8-15	L. E. Smith, Pres.	693.74	
9- 5	L. E. Smith, Pres.	357.96	
10- 5	L. E. Smith, Pres.	1,160.70	
11- 7	L. E. Smith, Pres.	1,640.34	
11-30	L. E. Smith, Pres.	1,013.26	
12-12	J. O. Atkinson, Treas., No. 191	.....	1,198.73
12-12	J. O. Atkinson, Treas., No. 193	.....	693.74
12-12	J. O. Atkinson, Treas., No. 194	.....	357.96
12-12	J. O. Atkinson, Treas., No. 202	.....	1,160.70
12-12	R. W. Malone, Treas., No. 203	.....	1,640.34
12- 3	R. W. Malone, Treas., No. 215	.....	1,013.26
4-22	Balance	.....	.81
		$16,801.78	$16,801.78
4-22	Balance	.81	

1924 FOREIGN MISSIONS.

11- 3	Samuel Earman, Treas.	$ 250.00	
11- 8	J. W. Payne, Treas.	73.22	
11-28	H. C. Simpson, Treas.	753.30	
12-10	H. B. Floyd, Treas.	52.84	
12-15	I. W. Johnson, Sec.	1,625.00	
12-20	W. J. Ballentine, Treas.	427.80	
12-22	O. D. Lawrence, Treas.	379.88	
1925			
1-10	J. O. Atkinson, No. 170	.....	$ 3,562.04
11-10	H. B. Floyd, Treas.	69.91	
11-16	J. W. Payne, Treas.	95.46	
11-27	Samuel Earman, Treas.	240.00	
11-28	O. D. Lawrence, Treas.	396.35	
12- 3	I. W. Johnson, Sec.	1,575.00	
12-18	W. J. Ballentine, Treas.	494.75	
1926			
1-19	H. C. Simpson, Treas.	697.50	
12-28	R. W. Malone, Treas., No. 221	.....	3,568.97
		$ 7,131.01	$ 7,131.01

1924 SUPERANNUATED FUND.

4-29	Bonds	$ 3,000.00	
4-29	Balance	367.31	
7- 9	Interest on Elon bonds	180.00	
8-29	Mrs. Chas. H. Rowland, No. 138	.....	500.00
11- 3	Samuel Earman, Treas.	100.00	
11- 8	J. W. Payne, Treas.	61.02	
11-28	H. C. Simpson, Treas.	532.60	
12-10	H. B. Floyd, Treas.	42.27	
12-15	I. W. Johnson, Sec.	415.00	
12-20	W. J. Ballentine, Treas.	74.40	
1925			
1- 2	Mrs. C. H. Rowland, No. 166	.....	1,200.00
1-26	O. D. Lawrence, Treas.	65.35	
1-31	Interest on Elon bonds	90.00	
10- 5	Interest on bonds	90.00	
11-10	H. B. Floyd, Treas.	55.93	
11-16	J. W. Payne, Treas.	79.55	

11-28	Samuel Earman, Treas.	105.00	
12- 3	I. W. Johnson, Sec.	390.00	
12-18	W. J. Ballentine, Treas.	85.12	
12-16	H. C. Simpson, Treas.	575.00	
3-22	Interest on bonds	.....	1,000.00
1926			
4-22	Bonds	.....	3,000.00
4-22	Balance	.....	698.55
		$ 6,398.55	$ 6,398.55
4-22	Bonds and balance	3,698.55	

1924 EDUCATIONAL FUND.

11- 8	J. W. Payne, Treas.	45.50	
11-16	J. W. Payne, Treas.	79.55	
12-18	W. J. Ballentine, Treas.	53.20	
12-16	H. C. Simpson, Treas.	75.00	
4-22	Balance	$ 315.27	

RECAPITULATION OF BALANCES.
April 22, 1926.

Convention Fund	$ 3,027.61	
Woman's Home and Foreign Mission Board	513.30	
Missions	.81	
Superannuated Fund	698.55	
Superannuated Bonds	3,000.00	3,000.00
Ministerial Education	315.27	
College Fund	150.30	
Balance in bank	.....	4,705.84
Interest in bank	215.38	215.38
	$ 7,921.22	$ 7,921.22

In closing my report, I wish to express to this Convention my keen appreciation for the confidence which you reposed in me by electing me twelve years ago as your Treasurer. I keenly appreciate the many courtesies extended to me by the generous-hearted brethren of the Convention during my tenure of office.

During these twelve years I have handled the following amounts of the Convention's funds, which may be found itemized in my several reports:

1914-1916	$ 15,791.98
1916-1918	27,478.60
1918-1920	84,169.22
1920-1922	88,585.37
1922-1923	41,041.82
1923-1924	33,813.03
1924-1926	68,353.11
	$359,233.13

Again thanking you for the confidence which you have so graciously reposed in me and the high honor which you have so generously conferred upon me, I hereby most respectfully submit my report.

Faithfully and fraternally yours,

W. C. WICKER,
Treasurer Southern Christian Convention.

Report of Executive Board read and, on motion, adopted as follows:

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE BOARD.

Your Executive Board has been called upon to consider many matters during the past biennium. A detailed report of the work done is herewith submitted for your careful consideration and approval. The items dealing with the order to have the Southern Christian Convention incorporated, and the provisions for issuing $500,000 in bonds by the Convention are quite lengthy, but it is very important that all this matter shall be included in the records of this Convention.

MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD OF THE S. C. C., INC.

The Executive Board of the Southern Christian Convention, Inc., met at Elon College, N. C., May 27, 1924, and approved the proceedings of the Special Committee, held in Suffolk, Va., on May 21, 1924, the minutes of the meeting of the incorporators of the S. C. C., Inc., the minutes of the Directors of the S. C. C., Inc., and the certificate of Incorporation of the S. C. C., Inc., as follows:

MINUTES OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE.

Suffolk, Va., May 21, 1924.

The Special Committee appointed by the Southern Christian Convention to take steps to make effective the following resolutions:

> "That the Southern Christian Convention issue its bonds executed in behalf of the Convention by the President, countersigned by the Secretary, under seal of the corporation, to cover the indebtedness and financial requirements of Elon and Bethlehem Colleges, providing, over a term of twenty years, for the retirement of interest and principal of the same, thus replacing these schools on a safe financial basis. This would require $500,000—$400,000 for Elon and $100,000 for Bethlehem,"

met in Suffolk, Va., today at 11 A. M., with all members present. Dr. W. W. Staley was also present, and Col. J. E. West for part of the time.

After discussion, the following form of bond was prepared, to be submitted to the Board of Trustees of Elon and Bethlehem Colleges and to the Executive Board of the Southern Christian Convention for approval, to-wit:

Form of Bond.

United States of America.

Number..... $.....

The Southern Christian Convention, Inc., a corporation duly created, organized and existing under and by virtue of the laws of the State of North Carolina, for value received, hereby acknowledge itself indebted to the bearer hereof in the sum of.....dollars ($.....), which it promises to pay to the bearer hereof at the office of the Farmers Bank of Nansemond, in the city of Suffolk, Va., on the first day of July, 19..., and in the meantime to pay interest at the rate of six per centum per annum, payable semi-annually on the first days of January and July of each and every year, according to the tenor of the coupons therefor hereto annexed, upon the presentation and surrender of the proper coupons therefor. Both the principal and the interest of this bond are payable in gold coin of the United States of America or of equivalent to the present standard of weight and fineness, without deduction for any tax or taxes which by any present or future law or ordinance of the State of North Carolina or the United States or of any State, county, or municipality thereof, the obligor may be required or permitted to pay or retain therefrom.

This bond is one of a series of 3,120 bonds of similar tenor and date, 1,680 of which numbered from D-1 to D-1680, both inclusive, are of the denomination of $50.00 each; 960 of which, numbered from C-1 to C-960, both inclusive, are of the denomination of $100.00 each; 320 of which, numbered from B-1 to B-320, both inclusive, are of the denomination of $500.00 each, and 160 of which,

numbered from A-1 to A-160, both inclusive, are of the denomination of $1,000.00 each, amounting to the aggregate principal sum of five hundred thousand dollars ($500,000.00), all of which are issued under and by virtue of the authority of a resolution passed and adopted by the Southern Christian Convention at its biennial Convention assembled in the city of Norfolk, State of Virginia, on the 1st day of May, 1924, and also by virtue of a resolution adopted at a meeting duly and legally called in the town of Elon College, N. C., on the 27th day of May, 1924, by the officers and directors of the Southern Christian Convention, Inc., all of which are duly executed by and in the name of the Southern Christian Convention, a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of North Carolina, by the duly elected officers of said corporation by virtue of the authority of the resolutions adopted as aforesaid.

Of said total of 3,120 bonds, 105 of the denomination of $50.00 each, numbered from D-1 to D-105, both inclusive; 60 of the denomination of $100.00, each numbered from C-1 to C-60, both inclusive; 20 of the denomination of $500.00, each numbered from B-1 to B-20, both inclusive, and 10 of the denomination of $1,000.00, each numbered from A-1 to A-10, both inclusive, mature on the 1st day of July, 1928, and of the remaining bonds, a corresponding number of each denomination, in the consecutive order of their numbers, mature July 1st in each of the years 1929 to 1944, both inclusive.

Any or all said bonds at any time outstanding may be called for redemption prior to maturity, on any interest due date, upon thirty days' notice, and the holder of any bonds so called shall receive the principal sum and interest thereon to the date fixed for such redemption.

This bond may be registered as to principal only by the duly appointed Registry Agent of the said corporation, but unless registered, or if registered to bearer, shall pass by delivery. Such registration, however, shall not affect the transferability of the interest coupons by delivery merely, and payment to the bearer thereof shall discharge the obligor in respect to the interest herein mentioned, whether or not the bond shall have been registered.

In witness whereof, the said Southern Christian Convention, Inc., a corporation as aforesaid, has caused these presents to be signed in its corporate name by its President, attested by its Secretary, and its common seal hereto affixed, and has caused the interest coupons hereto annexed to be authenticated by the lithographed facsimile of the signature of its Secretary this 1st day of July, 1924.

THE SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN CONVENTION, INC.
By....., *President.*
Attest:....., *Secretary.*

Form of Coupon.

On the first day of....., 19..., the Southern Christian Convention, Inc., will pay to bearer the sum of.....dollars ($.....) in gold coin of the United States of America, of the present standard of weight and fineness, at the office of the Farmers' Bank of Nansemond, Suffolk, Va., being six months' interest then due on its bond number.....

....., *Secretary.*

Form of Registration.

Date of Registry.	In Whose Name.	Registered by.

The following resolutions were prepared to be approved by the Boards of Trustees of Elon and Bethlehem Colleges, providing for guarantee of the payment of the bonds in case the purchasers of the bonds require it, as follows, to-wit:

For Elon College.

Resolved, That the Board of Trustees of Elon College, N. C., do hereby authorize and empower its president to guarantee, in the name of said board and on its behalf, the payment of certain bonds and the interest coupons thereto attached, said bonds not exceeding in the aggregate the sum of four hundred thousand dollars, issued, or to be issued by the Southern Christian Convention, Inc., a corporation, in pursuance of and by authority of a resolution adopted by the said Southern Christian Convention at its regular session in Norfolk, Va., on the first day of May, 1924. The form of the guarantee shall be as follows: "The Board of Trustees of Elon College, by.....,

President."

For Bethlehem College.

Resolved, That the Board of Trustees of Bethleheme College, Wadley, Ala., do hereby authorize and empower its president to guarantee, in the name of said board and on its behalf, the payment of certain bonds and the interest coupons thereto attached, said bonds not exceeding in the aggregate the sum of one hundred thousand dollars, issued, or to be issued, by the Southern Christian Convention in pursuance of and by authority of a resolution adopted by the said Southern Christian Convention at its regular session in Norfolk, Va., on the first day of May, 1924. The form of guarantee shall be as follows: "The Board of Trustees of Bethlehem College, by.....,

President."

The Board of Trustees of Elon College were requested to collect pledges due on Standardization and Emergency Fund subscriptions for the benefit of the interest and principal payments of the $400,000 of the bonds which will be turned over to them under the said Southern Christian Convention resolution. They are also to use their officers, as directed by the Convention, to raise during the term of years the bonds are to run, any additional amount needed to care for their part of the principal and interest.

The Board of Trustees of Bethlehem College were requested to raise the interest payment annually for the $100,000 of bonds to be turned over to them, and the principal over the term of years the bonds are to run.

It was decided to date the bonds as of July 1, 1924, and for them to run for twenty years and to be retired one-sixteenth each year, beginning July 1, 1928.

It was suggested that the incorporators named in the certificate of incorporation for the Southern Christian Convention, Inc., meet as soon as practicable after said certificate is duly and legally approved, elect as its officers the present officers of the Southern Christian Convention, appoint a Board of Directors of not less than three nor more than five, a majority of whom shall constitute a quorum, to serve until the next biennial meeting of said Convention or until their successors are appointed or elected by said Convention or the Executive Board of said Convention. The said incorporators shall adopt the present Principles and Government, with amendments thereto, of the Southern Christian Convention as the by-laws of said corporation; shall elect members in good standing in the Christian Church as said directors; shall provide how and in what way members may be hereafter admitted, and shall submit all of their proceedings to the Executive Board of the Southern Christian Convention for approval.

It was further suggested that the directors shall meet immediately and pass the following resolution:

Pursuant to resolution of the Southern Christian Convention, in regular session in Norfolk, Va., on May 1, 1924, be it resolved:

That the President and Secretary of the Southern Christian Convention, Inc., be, and are hereby, authorized, empowered and directed to execute in the

name of the Southern Christian Convention, Inc., 6 per cent gold coupon bonds in the aggregate amount of $500,000 par value, $400,000 to be known as bonds for Elon College and $100,000 to be known as bonds for Bethlehem College, the same to be serial bonds in the aggregate number of 3,120 bonds of similar tenor and date, 1,680 of which numbered from D-1 to D-1680, both inclusive, shall be of the denomination of $50.00; 960 of which, numbered from C-1 to C-960, both inclusive, shall be of the denomination of $100.00 each; 320 of which, numbered from C-1 to C-320, shall be of the denomination of $500.00 each, and 160 of which, numbered from A-1 to A-160, both inclusive, shall be of the denomination of $1,000.00 each; of which bonds, 105, of the denomination of $50.00 each, numbered D-1 to D-105, both inclusive; 60 of the denomination of $100.00 each, numbered from C-1 to C-60, both inclusive; 20 of the denomination of $500.00 each, B-1 to B-20, both inclusive, and 10 of the denomination of $1,000.00 each, A-1 to A-10, both inclusive, shall mature of July 1, 1928; and of the remaining bonds, a corresponding number of each denomination in the consecutive order of their numbers shall mature July 1st in each of the years 1929-1944, both inclusive.

Second: The said bonds shall be inform substantially as follows, with coupons and forms of registration provided, to-wit: (See pages 12-14, inclusive, of above.)

The Executive Board of the Southern Christian Convention is requested to approve all the above and to direct, authorize and empower its President and Secretary to execute said bonds as hereein provided, and also to approve the certificate of incorporation of the Southern Christian Convention, Inc.

JESSE F. WEST.
E. E. HOLLAND,
W. A. HARPER,
Special Committee.

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE INCORPORATORS OF THE S. C. C., INC.

The incorporators of the Southern Christian Convention, Inc., met in Elon College on May 27, 1924, pursuant to call, a quorum being present. Rev. G. O. Lankford was made temporary chairman, and W. A. Harper, temporary secretary.

The certificate of incorporation was presented and approved and ordered to be carefully preserved in the archives.

Directors were elected to serve until the next session of the S. C. C., as follows: Dr. L. E. Smith, Dr. I. W. Johnson, Col. E. E. Holland.

It was voted that a majority of the directors should be a quorum.

On motion, the present Principles and Government, with amendments thereto, of the Christian Church were adopted as the constitution and by-laws of the S. C. C., Inc.

It was unanimously voted that each person who was elected a delegate or who was an ex-officio delegate to the regular session of the Southern Christian Convention, held at Norfolk, Va., in May, 1924, and each person, who may hereafter be elected or appointed a delegate or have the privilege of sitting as a delegate ex-officio to said Convention at any future time, by any Christian Conference which belongs to, or would be entitled to send delegates to the session of said Convention, be, and is hereby, made a member of the Southern Christian Convention, Inc., during his term of office as such delegate, whether elective or ex-officio, and shall be entitled to vote in all meetings of Southern Christian Convention, Inc., and exercise all other rights and privileges now exercised or enjoyed by the incorporators of said Southern Christian Convention, Inc.

It was unanimously voted that the following be elected officers of the Southern Christian Convention, Inc., for the unexpired term of two years ending in April, 1926: President, L. E. Smith; Vice-President, N. G. Newman; Secretary, I. W. Johnson; Assistant Secretary, Mary Andrews; Treasurer, W. C. Wicker; Executive Board: L. E. Smith, I. W. Johnson, E. E. Holland.

It was unanimously voted that the above elected directors of the S. C. C.,

Inc., have the power to make and alter the by-laws of the corporation. Such directors to serve for an unexpired term of two years ending at the April, 1926, session of said Convention. The said Board of Directors and their successors shall be vested with full power to manage and control the business and affairs of the corporation, subject to the superior power of the members of the corporation in regular or special session or of the Executive Board during the recess of the Convention.

G. O. LANKFORD,
Temporary Chairman.
W. A. HARPER,
Temporary Secretary.

MINUTES OF THE DIRECTORS OF THE S. C. C., INC.

Having been notified by the incorporators of the Southern Christian Convention, Inc., of their election as directors of the S. C. C., Inc., the directors met at Elon College, N. C., May 27, 1924, and elected officers as follows: President, L. E. Smith; Secretary, I. W. Johnson.

It was voted that a majority should constitute a quorum.

It was voted to approve the proceedings of the Special Committee appointed by the S. C. C. and to report the same to the regular next session in full.

It was voted to approve the minutes of the incorporators of the S. C. C., Inc., and to report the same, with the certificate of incorporation, to the next regular session in full.

Resolution.

It was moved and unanimously voted that the following resolution be adopted:

Pursuant to resolution of the Southern Christian Convention, in regular session in Norfolk, Va., on May 1, 1924, be it resolved:

That the President and Secretary of the Southern Christian Convention, Inc., be, and are hereby, authorized, empowered, and directed to execute, in the name of the Southern Christian Convention, Inc., 6 per cent gold coupon bonds in the aggregate amount of $500,000 par value, $400,000 to be known as bonds for Elon College, and $100,000 to be known as bonds for Bethlehem College, the same to be serial bonds in the aggregate number of 3,120 bonds of similar tenor and date, 1,680 of which, numbered from D-1 to D-1680, both inclusive, shall be of the denomination of $50.00; 960 of which, numbered from C-1 to C-960, both inclusive, shall be of the denomination of $100.00 each; 320 of which, numbered from B-1 to B-320, shall be of the denomination of $500.00 each, and 160 of which, numbered from A-1 to A-160, both inclusive, shall be of the denomination of $1,000.00 each; of which bonds, 105, of the denomination of $50.00 each, numbered D-1 to D-105, both inclusive; 60 of the denomination of $100.00 each, numbered from C-1 to C-60, both inclusive; 20 of the denomination of $500.00 each, B-1 to B-20, both inclusive, and 10 of the denomination of $1,000.00 each, A-1 to A-10, both inclusive, shall mature on July 1, 1928; and of the remaining bonds a corresponding number of each denomination, in the consecutive order of their numbers, shall mature July 1st in each of the years 1929-1944, both inclusive.

Second: The said bonds shall be in form substantially as follows, with coupons and form of registration provided, to-wit: (See minutes of the Special Committee above.)

Articles of Incorporation of the S. C. C., Inc.

24842. Certificate of Incorporation, Southern Christian Convention, Inc.

This is to certify that we, the undersigned, do associate ourselves into a non-stock corporation, under and by virtue of the laws of the State of North Carolina, as contained in chapter number 22 of the Consolidated Statutes, entitled "Corporations," and the several amendments thereto, and to that end do hereby set forth:

1. The name of this corporation is "Southern Christian Convention, Inc."

2. The location of the principal office is at Alamance Building, in the town of Elon College, County of Alamance.

3. The objects for which this corporation is formed are as follows:

(a) To organize and maintain Church and Church enterprises in America or any other country.

(b) To promote the cause of education and to maintain colleges, schools and seminaries.

(c) To promote, encourage and maintain the cause of Christian missions.

(d) To provide and maintain homes for orphaned or destitute children, aged or infirm ministers, their wives or widows, or otherwise provide for them.

(e) To publish and circulate such newspapers, magazines, periodicals, books or other literature, or other means of communication, and to engage in, operate or perform any other activity or enterprise that it may deem advisable.

And in order properly to prosecute the objects and purposes above set forth, the corporation shall have full power and authority to purchase, lease, and otherwise acquire, hold, mortgage, convey and otherwise dispose of all kinds of property, both real and personal, both in this State and in all other States, Territories and dependencies of the United States and any other country or countries, and generally to perform all acts which may be deemed necessary for the proper and successful prosecution of the objects and purposes for which the corporation is created.

4. The corporation is to have no capital stock, and is not organized for profit.

5. The names and postoffice addresses of the incorporators are as follows: G. O. Lankford, Burlington, N. C.; W. A. Harper, Elon Collegee, N. C.; D. R. Fonville, Burlington, N. C.; W. K. Holt, Burlington, N. C.; Mrs. W. B. Sellars, Burlington, N. C.; Chas. D. Johnston, Elon College, N. C.; N. G. Newman, Elon College, N. C.; W. P. Lawrence, Elon College, N. C.; J. O. Atkinson, Elon College, N. C.

6. The period of existence of this corporation is unlimited.

7. Members other than the present members of the Southern Christian Convention may be admitted after organization, according to the Government and Principles of the Christian Church, or amendments thereto.

In testimony whereof, we have hereunto set our hands and affixed our seals this the 6th day of May, A. D. 1924.

G. O. LANKFORD.
W. A. HARPER.
D. R. FONVILLE.
W. K. HOLT.
MRS. W. R. SELLARS.
CHAS. D. JOHNSTON.
N. G. NEWMAN.
W. P. LAWRENCE.
J. O. ATKINSON.

Signed, sealed and delivered in the presence of C. C. Fonville, witness.

State of North Carolina,
County of Alamance, ss:

This is to certify that on this 6th day of May, A. D. 1924, before me, a notary public, personally appeared G. O. Lankford, W. A. Harper, D. R. Fonville, W. K. Holt, Mrs. W. R. Sellars, Chas. D. Johnston, N. G. Newman, W. P. Lawrence and J. O. Atkinson, who, I am satisfied, are the persons named in, and who executed, the foregoing certificate of incorporation of Southern Christian Convention, Inc, and I having first made known to them the contents thereof, they did each acknowledge that they signed, sealed and delivered the same as their voluntary act and deed, for the uses and purposes therein expressed.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my official seal, this the 6th day of May, A. D. 1924.

LUCILE JOHNSTON,
Notary Public.

My commission expires September 2, 1924.
(Notarial Seal.)
Approved by the Executive Board of the Southern Christian Convention.

L. E. SMITH,
I. W. JOHNSON,
E. E. HOLLAND,
Executive Board of the Southern Christian Convention.

Filed May 24, 1924.

W. N. EVERETT,
Secretary of State.

State of North Carolina,
Department of State—Esse quam videri:

I, W. N. Everett, Secretary of State of North Carolina, do hereby certify the foregoing and attached three sheets to be a true copy of the certificate of incorporation of Southern Christian Convention, Inc., and the probates thereon, as the same is taken from and compared with the original filed in this office on the 24th day of May, A. D. 1924.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my official seal.

Done in office at Raleigh, this 24th day of May, in the year of our Lord 1924.

W. N. EVERETT,
Secretary of State.

The above is a copy of the certificate on file in my office.

I. W. JOHNSON,
Secretary.

It was voted to issue the $500,000 of bonds as provided by the S. C. C., in session in Norfolk, Va., May 1, 1924, and as fully described in the above papers, and to authorize the President and Secretary officially to sign and seal the same and properly to attest the coupons of the several bonds.

L. E. SMITH,
President.
I. W. JOHNSON,
Secretary.

MINUTES OF EXECUTIVE BOARD AND HEADS OF DEPARTMENTS.

Minutes of the meeting of the Executive Board and heads of departments of the Southern Christian Convention, held at Suffolk Christian Church, Suffolk, Va., September 16, 1924:

The Executive Board and heads of departments met in session, upon call of Dr. L. E. Smith, President, in the Suffolk Christian Church, Suffolk, Va., today, September 16, 1924, at 10 o'clock A. M. Those present: Dr. L. E. Smith, President; I. W. Johnson, Secretary; W. W. Staley, W. A. Harper, C. D. Johnston, W. K. Holt, W. T. Walters, P. J. Kernodle, J. O. Atkinson, J. E. West, E. E. Holland.

Prayer led by Dr. W. T. Walters.

President Smith announced that the meeting was called to consider the best methods of prosecuting the work planned for at the last session of the Convention.

The following business was transacted:

1. It was moved and carried that the Elon College library be made the official depository of printed reports and periodicals of the Convention; and the college library is requested to bind copies of *The Christian Sun.*

2. It was moved and carried that it is the sense of the board that the Board of Religious Education, under provision 5, page 35 of the printed minutes of

the last session of the Convention, shall send a contribution to the Board of Christian Education of the General Christian Convention equal to the amount received from the offerings to be raised in November, 1924.

3. It was moved and carried that the matter and cost of memorials (see page 24, minutes 1924 session S. C. C.) be fully determined upon by the committee, and contributions be asked for to pay the cost.

4. It was moved and carried that the President of the Convention be responsible for submitting to the various Conferences the matter of increased apportionments, pages 35 and 39.

5. It was moved and carried that the office of the Southern Christian Convention, Inc., shall be located in the Alamance Building, at Elon College.

6. It was moved and carried that the President shall defer the sale of any Convention bonds until authorized by the Executive Board.

7. It was moved and carried that thee managing editor shall be elected as agent to sell books and periodicals for the Convention.

8. It was moved and carried that a copy of the Principles and Government of the Christian Church be presented to every ministerial student of the Christian Church in Elon College.

9. It was moved and carried that it is the sense of the board that some fitting memorial to Dr. W. S. Long should be located at Elon College, and the college trustees are requested to consider the matter.

10. It was moved and carried that the President be authorized to draw orders for payments to General Convention, for Federal Council and other co-operative work as required by Convention order.

11. It was moved and carried that the Board of Education limit loans to ministerial students to $200.00 annually.

12. It was moved and carried that W. A. Harper, J. O. Atkinson and C. D. Johnston be appointed a special committee to handle the matter of making loans to ministerial students.

13. It was moved and carried that it is the sense of the board that the contract for printing *The Christian Sun* implies that the bonus of $3,000.00 (see page 36) shall be paid from the Men and Millions Fund when there is not sufficient money in the Convention Fund to pay same.

Board adjourned. Prayer by President Smith.

L. E. SMITH,
President.
I. W. JOHNSON,
Secretary.

Suffolk, Va., Sept. 16, 1924.

MINUTES OF EXECUTIVE BOARD AND HEADS OF DEPARTMENTS.

Minutes of the meeting of the Executive Board and heads of departments of the Southern Christian Convention, held in Suffolk Christian Church, September 22, 1925:

The board met, with the following persons present: L. E. Smith, President; I. W. Johnson, W. W. Staley, C. H. Rowland, J. H. Lightbourne, W. A. Harper, C. D. Johnston, Mrs. J. A. Williams, J. O. Atkinson, N. G. Newman, J. E. West, W. T. Walters.

Called to order by L. E. Smith, President. Prayer by W. W. Staley. Minutes of last meeting read. Dr. J. O. Atkinson reported that plans and specifications for the Lebanon Memorial had been prepared and accepted. He also reported that the committee on the O'Kelly Memorial has decided to recommend the placing of the memorial on Elon College campus, if possible.

Dr. W. A. Harper reported that provision has been made for a memorial to Dr. W. S. Long at Elon College.

It was moved and carried that the President submit to the next session of the Western N. C. Conference the matter of the increased apportionment.

It was moved and carried that it is the sense of this body that restrictions made against general appeals during the term of the Men and Millions campaign terminated May 1, 1925.

It was moved and carried that no appeals for funds by departments be made to the constituency of the Convention until authorized by the Convention or Executive Board.

It was moved and carried that it is the sense of this board that the action of the Convention relating to the issuance of $500,000.00 in bonds included the authority of Elon College Board of Trustees to handle the bonds in all details in the sum of $400,000.00, including the collection of interest on same; and that the Board of Trustees of Bethlehem College handle the $100,000.00 allotted to Bethlehem in the same way.

It was moved and carried that the President appoint a commission of finance to study and submit to the next session of the Southern Convention such matters as pertain to the financial policy of the Convention.

It was suggested that the next session of the Convention deal largely with matters touching finance, principles and polity of the Christian Church, mission, evangelism, etc.

Adjournment. Prayer by Dr. N. G. Newman.

L. E. SMITH,
President.
I. W. JOHNSON,
Secretary.

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Your board elected Dr. C. H. Rowland, Secretary of Evangelism.

We accepted the invitation of the Durham Christian Church as a place for holding the 1926 session of the Convention.

We have prepared a program for this session, which we submit herewith for your approval.

L. E. SMITH,
I. W. JOHNSON,
E. E. HOLLAND,
Executive Board.

The President appointed the following committees for the session:
Credentials.—C. H. Stephenson, J. A. Kimball, B. K. White.
Press.—C. M. Cannon.
Finance.—Judge J. F. West, J. A. Williams, W. V. Leathers.
Nominations.—W. P. Lawrence, E. E. Holland, J. G. Truitt, H. W. Elder, John Lane.
Resolutions.—P. H. Fleming, G. R. Underwood, V. E. Kitchens.
Apportionments.—L. R. Jones, W. K. Holt, G. D. Hunt.

Report of Board of Trustees for Christian Orphanage read by W. K. Holt, chairman. After discussion by W. K. Holt, C. D. Johnston, superintendent, the report was adopted, as follows:

REPORT OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE CHRISTIAN ORPHANAGE.

For twenty years the Christian Orphanage has been giving a home to the homeless, providing food for the nourishment of the body and raiment to keep the body warm and comfortable. It has tried to educate and train the mind of the child that it might have an equal chance in life with other children. It has also tried in an humble way to point the children to the higher life that they might take the straight and narrow road in life that leads ever onward and upward. The Orphanage had a small beginning more than twenty years ago, and its progress has not been as rapid as it might have been under more favorable circumstances; but those who had faith and those who had

love in their hearts for fatherless children and widows in distress have stood by it all these years, and it has grown in usefulness in service to the helpless, and has also been able to add to its material value from year to year.

We are glad that the Christian denomination has an orphanage for the care of fatherless children, that it may show the world that it is ready and willing to do its part in service to humanity. We feel that we have much to praise God for during this biennium. The health of our children has been extremely good. For practically two years we did not have a child sick enough to be confined to its room, and for two years we have not had a child placed in the infirmary. God has been mindful of us, and we are grateful.

SCHOOL.

We have succeeded in making arrangements with the school board of the town to take all our children in the public school for the entire term by paying a stipulated amount of money to help defray the teachers' salaries. This is a fine arrangement and far less expensive to the Orphanage than if we had to furnish school facilities for our children. Our children get the advantage of mingling with the children in the community and are not isolated as in years past.

FARM.

Our farm is improved from year to year, and when we have favorable seasons we are able to make much of the stuff we use in the Orphanage, thereby cutting down running expenses.

Last year was an extremely dry year, but our farm shows a profit, and if we had had a favorable season we would have made a bumper crop.

DAIRY.

Our dairy herd is growing better year by year. We are working to the end in view to a full herd of Holstein cows and hope in the next few years to accomplish this. Our herd is now producing something like thirty gallons of milk per day. A quart for each child is required by the State Board of Health.

PORK.

Two of our little boys raised 5,200 pounds of pork last season, and we feel very proud of this record.

The good women of our denomination have been extremely good to us and have made and sent us quilts, sheets, pillow cases, dresses for the little girls and suits for the little boys, for which we are very grateful indeed.

The demand upon us has grown from year to year, and last year the Board thought it wise to undertake to build another building to care for something like thirty children, and after prayerful consideration this was undertaken, the contract let, and the building is now under construction. It is well planned and modern in every way, and is a magnificent structure and an addition to our Orphanage plant which our Church may well be proud of. It will enable us to grade the children in three grades according to size and age and will make it much easier on the general management. We have been able to finance this proposition so far without going in debt, and we hope to be able to finance it through.

We can present to you today an Orphanage plant worth $150,000.00 in real assets, with 110 children in its care and no indebtedness on it.

God has been good to us, and to Him is given all the praise.

We recommend that you order that the number of Trustees be eight instead of seven.

FINANCIAL REPORT, APRIL 1, 1924 TO MARCH 31, 1925.

Income.

Sunday School Monthly Offerings	$5,480.12
Special Offerings	7,976.80

Thanksgiving Offerings	6,491.09	
Easter Offerings	3,308.74	
New Building Fund	206.00	
Baby Home Fund	80.00	
Men and Millions	300.00	
		$ 23,842.75

Expense Account.

Superintendent's Salary	$3,000.00	
Matron's Salary	1,985.00	
Clothing	1,513.31	
Groceries	4,378.41	
Water and Lights	302.15	
Postage	142.52	
Office Supplies	299.68	
Fuel	21.68	
Farm	2,516.80	
Dairy	849.38	
Permanent Improvements	1,308.33	
Miscellaneous	8,200.96	
		24,518.22
Expense above Income		$ 675.47

Farm Receipts Used by the Institution.

Pork	$ 620.85	
Corn	197.00	
Stover	220.00	
Sweet Potatoes	375.00	
Soy Beans	512.50	
Peaches	88.50	
Apples	151.00	
Silo Feed	900.00	
Vegetables	154.00	
Irish Potatoes	198.00	
Manure	25.00	
Hay	70.00	
Wheat	208.75	
Oats	75.99	
		$ 3,796.59

Farm Expense Included in Expense Account above.

Labor	$1,174.52	
Oil	456.99	
Seed	175.15	
Mules	450.00	
Miscellaneous	260.14	
		2,516.80
Profit		$ 1,279.79

Dairy Receipts.

Milk	$3,009.60	
Beef	48.75	
		$ 3,058.35

Dairy Expense included in Expense Account above.

Mill Feed	$ 419.00	
Dry Feed	355.83	
Supplies	15.10	

Oats	7.00	
Miscellaneous	52.45	
		849.38
Profit		$ 2,208.97

Financial Statement.

To balance brought forward last year	$ 11,186.53
Income from all sources for fiscal year ending March 31, 1926	23,842.75
Total cash	$ 35,029.28
Total expense of Institution for year beginning April 1, 1924, and ending March 31, 1925, including all repairs, permanent improvements, etc.	24,518.22
Balance cash on hand in bank, making a total balance in notes, bonds, duebills and cash of	$ 10,511.06

FINANCIAL REPORT, APRIL 1, 1925, TO MARCH 31, 1926.

Income.

Sunday School Monthly Offerings	$5,774.18	
Special Offerings	6,569.15	
Thanksgiving Offerings	6,072.79	
Easter Offerings	2,707.11	
New Building Fund	12,682.09	
Men and Millions	125.00	
Children's Offerings	3.25	
Miscellaneous	167.63	
		$ 34,101.20

Expense Account.

Superintendent's Salary	$3,000.00	
Matron's Salary	2,350.00	
Clothing	1,227.44	
Groceries	3,652.53	
Water and Lights	350.95	
Postage	126.55	
Office Supplies	228.39	
Teacher's Salary	130.76	
Farm	2,275.34	
Dairy	1,217.13	
Medicine	101.89	
Repairs	118.80	
Fuel	90.32	
Oil	138.91	
Laundry	28.80	
Miscellaneous	8,159.72	
		23,197.53
Income above Expenses		$ 10,803.67

Farm Receipts used by the Institution.

Pork	$1,026.00
Turkeys	9.00
Sweet Potatoes	269.00

Peaches	396.00	
Silo Feed	1,000.00	
Vegetables	35.00	
Irish Potatoes	175.00	
Manure	55.00	
Hay	195.00	
Wheat	392.00	
Oats	273.37	
Stover	137.50	
Rye	52.00	
		$ 4,014.87

Farm Expenses included in Expense Account above.

Labor	$ 964.95	
Feed	126.05	
Oil	124.93	
Seed	194.25	
Machinery	529.27	
Repairs	57.80	
Fertilizer	130.49	
Miscellaneous	147.60	
		2,275.34
Profit		$ 1,739.53

Dairy Receipts.

Milk, 9,200 gallons at $0.50	$ 4,600.00

Dairy Expenses.

Milk Feed	$ 731.48	
Dry Feed	379.15	
Supplies	37.73	
Corn	6.00	
Cow	45.00	
Miscellaneous	18.00	
		1,217.13
Profit		$ 3,382.87

Financial Statement.

To balance brought forward last year	$ 10,511.06
Income from all sources for fiscal year ending March 31, 1926	34,101.20
Total Cash	$ 44,612.26
Total expenses of Institution for year beginning April 1, 1925, and ending March 31, 1926, including all repairs, etc.	23,197.53
Balance cash on hand and including notes, making a total balance	$ 21,414.73
Less amount paid on New Building	18,709.00
Correct balance on hand	$ 2,705.73

Very respectfully submitted,
W. K. HOLT, *Chairman,*
Board of Trustees.

Report of the Board of Superannuation was read by Dr. J. O. Atkinson, Chairman, and, after discussion, was adopted as follows:

REPORT OF BOARD OF SUPERANNUATION.

The Board of Superannuation of the Southern Christian Convention has met twice since making our last report. On December 16, 1924, in Burlington, N. C., the first meeting was held, with Dr. J. O. Atkinson, W. K. Holt, Rev. T. E. White, and Mrs. C. H. Rowland present. Applications were read and appropriations were voted as follows:

Mrs. Geo. D. Estes	$200	Mrs. C. C. Peele	$200
Mrs. J. P. Barrett	150	Mrs. W. S. Long	100
Rev. J. D. Wicker	200	Mrs. J. W. Holt	100
Mrs. J. I. Jones	150	Rev. P. L. Duke	300
Rev. J. W. Wellons	100	Mrs. B. F. Young	150
Rev. P. T. Klapp	150	Rev. C. M. Dollar	150
Mrs. L. I. Cox	200		

Total amount voted, $2,050. These amounts were paid, one-half in December and one-half in July.

The second meeting of the board was held at Elon College, in *The Christian Sun* office, on December 17, 1925, with the following present: Dr. J. O. Atkinson, Rev. T. E. White, B. D. Jones, W. K. Holt, and Mrs. C. H. Rowland. At this meeting, applications were read and the following amounts granted:

Mrs. Geo. D. Estes	$200	Mrs. Mary V. Long	150
Rev. P. L. Duke	300	Mrs. Molley McBride Holt	100
Mrs. C. C. Peele	200	Mrs. J. P. Barrett	200
Rev. J. W. Wellons	100	Rev. C. M. Dollar	150
Mrs. L. I. Cox	200	Mrs. B. F. Young	150
Rev. P. T. Klapp	100	Mrs. J. I. Jones	150
Rev. J. D. Wicker	200	Mrs. Ebbie Moffitt	100

Total amount voted, $2,200. At this meeting, Mrs. Rowland resigned as treasurer, and Mr. W. K. Holt was elected to this office. We record with regret the death of Dr. W. S. Long, one of the beneficiaries of this fund, since our last report to the Convention. We have not been able to reach the standard reported at last Convention, namely: $300 a year for single ministers, $400 a year for married ministers, and $250 a year for widows. We are sorry that all the appropriations made could not have been doubled. We recommend that all Conferences seek to raise at least 10 cents per member for this fund, as noted at last Convention. This is more urgent now than in the past, as very little more may be expected from Men and Millions' Fund.

We recommend that the President appoint a committee of three to look into the matter of group insurance for ministers, and make a report at this session.

J. O. ATKINSON, *Chairman.*
MRS. C. H. ROWLAND, *Secretary.*
W. K. HOLT, *Treasurer.*

Address by Dr. L. E. Smith, President; theme, "Our Problems."

Communion service conducted by Dr. D. A. Long, assisted by Revs. W. W. Staley, J. O. Atkinson, P. H. Fleming, and L. E. Smith.

Convention adjourned for dinner. Benediction by Dr. J. O. Atkinson.

SECOND DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

Convention called to order at 2 o'clock. Song service conducted by Rev. J. F. Morgan. Devotion led by Rev. A. W. Andes.

Report of Mission Board was read by Col. J. E. West, Chairman.
Address: "Men and Millions," by Col. J. E. West.
Address: "Stewardship," by Dr. W. H. Denison.
Address: "Our Missionary Program," by Dr. J. O. Atkinson.
Report of Mission Board was adopted, as follows:

REPORT OF THE MISSION BOARD.

As the Mission Board meets annually on or about September 15th, the fiscal year with our appropriations begins October 1st. It is, therefore, necessary, in making this report clear and comprehensive, to give appropriations from October 1, 1923, to October 1, 1925, and those decided upon and being made for the present fiscal year ending October 1, 1926.

The following places received donations during the two years ending October 1, 1925:

Mountain work, Carroll County, Va.	$3,947.12
Rocky Ford Building Fund	1,688.70
Elm Avenue, Portsmouth, Va.	1,205.00
Richmond, Va.	6,575.00
Franklinton, N. C.	650.00
Newport News, Va.	1,175.00
Winchester, Va.	750.00
Roanoke, Ala.	75.00
North Alabama work	350.00
Rose Hill, Coulmbus, Ga.	550.00
Portsmouth, First Church, Va.	1,050.00
Reidsville, N. C.	175.00
Raleigh, N. C.	3,600.00
South Norfolk, Va.	2,250.00
Richland, Ga.	500.00
Lanette, Ala.	200.00
Dover, Del.	3,413.44
Evangelism	1,307.90
Chapel Hill, N. C.	100.00
Christian Temple (paid on note)	2,012.50

The appropriations voted for the present year and now in course of payment are:

Newport News, Va.	$ 400.00
Elm Avenue, Portsmouth, Va.	300.00
Franklinton, N. C.	200.00
Winchester, Va.	250.00
Portsmouth, First Church, Va.	250.00
North Alabama work	100.00
Mountain work, Carroll County, Va., pastor's salary	1,200.00
Teachers (estimated)	1,500.00
	$4,200.00

Since our last report, closing with April 1, 1924, we have collected, through our secretary, and turned over to the treasurer the following amounts:

April, 1924—Individual, $216.50; regular S. S., $181.39; special, $696.38; mountain work, $57.00—total, $1,151.27.

May, 1924—Individual, $108.29; regular S. S., $148.62; special, $175.52; mountain work, $44.35—total, $476.78.

June, 1924—Individual, $57.00; regular S. S., $244.30; special, $296.98; mountain work, $2.50; special evangelism, $9.50—total, $610.28.

July, 1924—Individual, $81.82; regular S. S., $222.95; special, $313.10; evangelism, $181.60—total, $799.47.

August, 1924—Individual, $58.00; regular S. S., $154.54; special, $264.64; evangelism, $91.90—total, $569.08.

September, 1924—Individual, $278.00; regular S. S., $160.26; special, $84.57; evangelism, $268.00—total, $790.83.

October, 1924—Individual, $142.00; regular S. S., $405.27; special, $744.77; mountain work, $1.25; evangelism, $136.00—total, $1,429.38.

November, 1924—Individual, $170.00; regular S. S., $290.11; special, $60.00; mountain work, $6.47; evangelism, $46.00—total, $572.58.

December, 1924—Individual, $312.00; regular S. S., $222.11; special, $650.88; mountain work, $15.00; evangelism, $142.00—total, $1,341.99.

January, 1925—Individual, $89.00; regular S. S., $266.66; special, $301.27 —total, $656.93.

February, 1925—Individual, $104.00; regular S. S., $242.18; special, $255.01; mountain work, $7.37; Rocky Ford Building Fund, $59.46—total, $668.02.

March, 1925—Individual, $12.20; regular S. S., $139.79; special, $367.95; mountain work, $1.40; Rocky Ford Building Fund, $2.00—total, $523.34.

April, 1925—Individual, $152.56; regular S. S., 355.94; special, $79.83; Rocky Ford Building Fund, $21.00—total, $609.42.

May, $1925—Individual, $232.43; regular S. S., $196.34; special, $106.96; mountain work, $4.65—total, $537.67.

June, 1925—Individual, $239.50; regular S. S., $268.00; special, $544.78; mountain work, $106.45; Rocky Ford Building Fund, $40.00—total, $1,198.73.

July, 1925—Individual, $80.50; regular S. S., 314.65; special, $180.23; Rocky Ford Building Fund, $108.10; mountain work, $10.26—total, $693.74.

August, 1925—Individual, $58.00; regular S. S., 214.63; Rocky Ford Building Fund, $85.33—total, $357.96.

September, 1925—Individual, $249.00; regular S. S., $255.56; special, $536.64; mountain work, $11.25; Rocky Ford Building Fund, $108.25—total, $1,160.70.

October, 1925—Individual, $75.00; regular S. S., $247.05; special, $1,237.00; mountain work, $3.24; Rocky Ford Building Fund, $18.05—total, $1,640.34.

November, 1925—Individual, $474.92; regular S. S., $242.29; mountain work, $35.00; Rocky Ford Building Fund, $261.05—total, $1,013.26.

December, 1925—Individual, $271.00; regular S. S., $272.82; special, $209.80; mountain work, $9.90; Rocky Ford Building Fund, $9.00—total, $772.50.

January, 1926—Individual, $53.50; regular S. S., $262.75; special, $97.58; mountain work, $6.56; Rocky Ford Building Fund, $20.00; Emergency Fund, $64.90—total, $505.29.

February, 1926—Individual, $110.00; regular S. S., $205.53; special, $82.03; Emergency Fund, $229.93; Rocky Ford Building Fund, $12.75—total, $640.24.

March, 1926—Individual, $45.00; regular S. S., $311.66; special, $74.91; Rocky Ford Building Fund, $242.58; Emergency Fund, $2,446.18; special from Western North Carolina Conference, $314.19—total, $3,434.52.

Grand total, $22,154.32.

The above collections do not cover the items coming through the regular channels of Conference, Men and Millions and Convention, since these items go directly to the Treasurer of the Convention and are transmitted to the treasurer of the Mission Board by drafts from the President of the Convention.

SUNDAY SCHOOL MISSIONS.

One of the most gratifying features of our mission work is the increasing interest in missions in our Sunday Schools. With the exception of a very few, our active and progressive Sunday Schools have adopted the plan ratified by this Convention of giving one offering per month for missions. We feel that this creates interest in missions where it will do most good in the future, and so we urge this plan be continued and emphasized in all our schools. The schools should be deeply interested in missions and should be giving donations and fre-

quent missionary programs. Donations from our Sunday Schools last two years amounted to $8,327.82. We have faith to believe that we shall in the future receive not only increasing funds from this source, but missionary recruits for the field. Missionary teaching must be given to the youth, and there is no better place for this than in the Sunday School.

OUR WOMAN'S MISSIONARY WORK.

The most rapidly growing element of our missionary work, as well as the most gratifying, has been that among our women. During the past two years they have turned in through the Treasurer of this Convention to our mission treasurer designated sums to the amount of $15,729.15. The Woman's Conferences are very largely attended, especially in North Carolina and Eastern Virginia, and those of the other Conferences are on the increase in attendance and interest. We feel that the women, because of their mission study courses and their monthly missionary meetings, are making more actual progress in missionary vision and development than the men in the Churches. It would be well indeed if the men of the Church would study the missionary study books, that they might not be left behind in gaining intelligence about the present world movement through missionary endeavor. Our women are certainly to be commended for the splendid work they are doing.

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Since our last report to this body, we have paid to the work in Japan and Porto Rico $25,735.19. This includes specials to Japan of $4,814.42, and to Porto Rico of $3,211.65 Working under the auspices of the General Convention, there are in Japan ten missionaries, and in Porto Rico four. This does not include sixteen native pastors in Japan and four native pastors in Porto Rico. There was a falling off in receipts for the foreign work last year, and owing to the fact that five missionaries were sent out in 1923 we have been brought into indebtedness. There are other missionaries ready to go out, but cannot be sent for lack of funds.

The Executive Committee of the Convention asked the Conferences to ratify a call for an Emergency Mission Fund during the spring of the present year, the amount called for being $25,000.00. Up to the present (April 15th), there had been received on this fund $7,517.52. While the response has not been as liberal as was anticipated, there was universal approval of the undertaking, and practically all the Churches of the Convention have made an offering, much of which is yet to be sent in. "Mission Month" gave an opportunity for missionary instruction and propaganda not heretofore enjoyed by our Churches and people.

MEN AND MILLIONS.

The board has looked after collecting Men and Millions the past two years to the best of its ability and understanding. We have sent out frequent notices and endeavored to advise each subscriber amount of balance due, in addition to receiving and receipting all funds as they came in. These funds, as collected, have been turned over to Mr. C. D. Johnston, executive secretary, whose report elsewhere will show what has been done in this particular. We are of opinion that the Convention should fix a definite date for the clearing or collecting of these accounts. Conditions and circumstances have changed quite materially since the pledges were made, and it would seem to be the part of wisdom that these pledges be canceled or diverted to some specific cause, as the individual may direct, after December 31, 1925.

COMMENT.

The Mission Board has certain pledges which it is exceedingly anxious to discharge, and will do so as rapidly as funds are available. These obligations, in the form of promissory notes due as of April 1, 1926, are $14,600.00.

In addition to these obligations, the following pledges by the board have already been made:

South Norfolk, Va.	$ 8,000.00
Raleigh, N. C.	7,000.00
Richland, Ga. (when funds are available)	1,666.00
To be paid in 3 to 4 years	$16,666.00

The board is under obligations to pay to our foreign missions account $6,500.00 out of the first funds becoming available. We feel that, owing to the imperative need in our foreign work, special emphasis should be given to this obligation, and the same should be paid at the earliest possible date.

The board is exceedingly anxious to begin constructive work in the home field at an early date, but at its last session decided not to incur further obligations or pledges until present obligations and demands had been met. Owing to the very great lack of income from Men and Millions, the board had been handicapped, and will be until resources shall come in adequate to meet the demands of pledges and obligations undertaken from estimated income of Men and Millions.

CHURCH MEMBERSHIP.

At the session of the Convention two years ago we reported the total membership of the Churches composing the Conferences of this Convention to be 28,635. We are gratified to report an increase in our membership during the biennium of 3,247, giving a total Church membership at present of 31,882, or an increase of about eleven and one-seventh per cent. While this increase is by no means what it should be, we take courage in that it is far more than that of the previous biennium.

WORK IN CARROLL COUNTY, VA.

In co-operation with our Woman's Board, this board is doing some much-needed and constructive work in Carroll County, Va. We have now two ample Church and school buildings combined whose cost of construction was something over $7,000.00. In these buildings we maintain regular preaching and Sunday Schools on Sunday, and for six months in the year week-day schools also. Rev. M. T. Sorrell, pastor in charge, has had three competent and consecrated assistants the past winter. We have found the people of the remote mountain districts appreciative, worthy and willing to co-operate and anxious to improve their condition. We have two regularly organized Christian Churches, both of which are now members of our North Carolina and Virginia Christian Conference.

NEGRO CHURCHES.

There are in the territory covered by our Convention several Conferences and a host of Churches of negro Christians. Your board feels that, with some effort on the part of the Convention, these Churches and people could be very materially aided to better organizations and more efficient service in the name of our Lord. Either by fraternal messengers or by visitation and assistance on the part of our pastors and others interested, we ourselves would be benefited, and in turn might be of service to these Churches and Conferences. We suggest that our secretary gather statistical information with reference to the negro Christians and publish same in *The Christian Sun.*

STEWARDSHIP.

Your Mission Board is overwhelmed with the appalling need and the woeful lack of definite teaching of the plain biblical gospel of stewardship among our Churches and people. We need to realize, as never before, that God is the Owner of all, and we are stewards in charge for a season. We need definite, continuous, constructive teaching in stewardship. To this end, we urge every Conference composing this Convention to give place on their annual programs

for discussion on stewardship, and that each Conference have either a secretary of stewardship or a committee on stewardship. We highly endorse the great work Dr. W. H. Denison is doing as Stewardship Secretary of our General Convention.

MISSIONARY INTEREST INCREASING.

Your board feels that, while expected resources from Men and Millions and other movements were not realized as desired, yet missionary information and interest are increasing, and if we are to do our work as a part of a great Church, must increase more and more. We should earnestly pray that the day may soon come when our missionary offerings shall be many times what they are now, and that there shall be in the foreign field and at home many missionaries giving their full time to planting and building Churches and congregations and carrying the gospel to those who have it not. To this end, we solicit the prayers and co-operation of Christians throughout the Convention and in all our Zion.

J. E. WEST, *Chairman.*
J. O. ATKINSON, *Secretary.*

Address: "The Pastor's Part in the Program of Evangelism," by Dr. R. C. Helfenstein.

Dr. W. W. Staley made a report of his visit to the Afro-American Christian Convention in Baltimore, in June, 1924.

REPORT OF DR. W. W. STALEY.

On Friday, May 2, 1924, the Southern Christian Convention, in Norfolk, Va., elected Revs. W. W. Staley, L. E. Smith, and J. O. Atkinson fraternal delegates to the Afro-Christian Convention, which met in the People's Christian Church, 423 North Bond Street, Baltimore, Md., June 15-20, 1924.

Drs. Smith and Atkinson could not attend, so I went alone by Chesapeake steamer on the night of June 16th, and attended the Convention on the 17th (one day) Dr. S. A. Howell, of Newport News, Va., was president, and that meant order and dispatch of business. The session was well attended, the proceedings were well conducted, the singing was fine.

I was introduced to the Convention, delivered greeting from the S. C. C., and then delivered an address, in which I contrasted the characteristics of the white and black races. I was received in a Christian spirit, tried to respond in the same way, and I am sure that such exchange of interests helps the cause of Jesus Christ and the Church. I enjoyed the day, and feel that the time and cost were not without good fruit. W. W. STALEY.

It was moved and carried that a committee of three be appointed to consider the matter of financial organization. J. H. Lightbourne, E. E. Holland, and R. C. Helfenstein were appointed.

The President appointed a committee of three to consider the matter of group insurance mentioned in report of superannuation, as follows: J. O. Atkinson, M. W. Sutcliffe, Dr. W. H. Boone.

Convention adjourned until evening session.

Benediction by Rev. J. L. Foster.

SECOND DAY—EVENING SESSION.

Convention met and called to order at 7:45 o'clock.

Devotions conducted by Dr. G. O. Lankford, of Burlington, N. C.

Address by Mrs. Dan C. Brummit, of Chicago, Ill.

A partial report of Woman's Board was read by Mrs. J. A. Williams. Vote on the report was deferred until the report is completed tomorrow.

Address: "The Need of a Missionary Passion," by Dr. W. P. Minton, Mission Secretary, Dayton, Ohio.

Report of Committee on Memorials read by Judge J. F. West, as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MEMORIALS.

The committee, appointed at the last session of this Convention, "whose business shall be to decide upon a suitable memorial to the memory of James O'Kelly and a suitable marker on the spot of Old Lebanon Church, in Surry County, Va."—beg leave to submit the following:

THE LEBANON MARKER.

We secured the necessary order from the Circuit Court of Surry County, Va., vesting the title to the Old Lebanon Christian Church lot, near Surry Courthouse, Va., containing one acre, in the trustees of the Eastern Virginia Christian Conference.

A proceeding was then instituted in the same court in the name of the trustees, in which a decree was entered, authorizing them, after reserving a lot about 41x61 feet as the monument site, to sell the residue of the land in three parcels. The style of the chancery case in which this decree was secured is "*In re* Trustees Lebanon Christian Church Lot."

One parcel was sold to the State of Virginia as a right of way for State highway No. 10. The land on the north side of the highway was sold to J. W. Enos. The land on the south side of the highway, except the reservation for the monument site, was sold to Ella White. The aggregate sales amounted to $105.00. After deducting all expenses, the net balance of $87.40 was deposited on interest-bearing certificate in the Bank of Waverly, Waverly, Va., payable to J. O. Atkinson, treasurer of your committee, to be used in aid of the purchase and erection of a suitable monument on the reservation.

The plot showing the division of the Church lot into parcels, including the reservation for the monument site on the south side of the highway, is duly recorded in the clerk's office of the Circuit Court of Surry County, along with the deed to Ella White.

Your committee agreed that the monument to mark the site of Lebanon Church should be constructed of the best granite, with two bronze tablets made of best United States standard bronze.

Your committee let the work to the lowest bidder and awarded the contract to erect a monument of the best Petersburg granite, as per plans and specifications submitted, including two bronze tablets made of United States standard bronze and four granite posts all complete, to Burns & Campbell, of Petersburg, Va., for $770.00. The concrete around the monument and walkway to the highway to be built by them at cost to the contractors, not to exceed $2.25 per yard, and they to furnish two additional posts to mark the ten-foot right of way across one end of the reservation, free of charge. Total cost estimated $850.00. Plans and specifications are herewith submitted, to which we invite attention.

The following inscription is to appear on the tablet on the front of the monument: "This monument marks the site of Lebanon Church, where the founders of the Christian Church, who had declared for religious liberty and accepted the Bible as their only creed, on August 4, 1794, adopted the name 'Christian,' to the exclusion of all party or sectarian names. Erected by the Southern Christian Convention in 1926."

The following inscription is to appear on the tablet on the back of the monument:

"Principles of the Christian Church.

1. The Lord Jesus Christ is the only head of the Church.
2. Christian a sufficient name for the Church.
3. The Holy Bible a sufficient rule of faith and practice.
4. Christian character a sufficient test of fellowship and membership.
5. The right of private judgment and liberty of conscience a right and privilege of all."

O'KELLY MEMORIAL.

For the O'Kelly marker, your committee recommends that there be placed on the campus at Elon College, exact site to be designated by the board of trustees of the college, an Egyptian-style memorial, according to plans and specifications herewith submitted, the material to be of the best Winnisboro granite, total height to be eleven feet, total weight 16,000 pounds. We present herewith blueprints and details, to which your committee invites attention and suggestions.

The cost of the Old Lebanon memorial will be $850.00. That of the O'Kelly memorial $1,275.00; a total of $2,125.00. We have in bank subject to the order of the Convention $105.75.

We recommend that steps be taken to secure the remainder of funds needed to erect these memorials, and that the work be pushed to completion as soon as funds are available; and that the Committee on Memorials be continued till the work is completed.

Respectfully submitted,

J. F. WEST, *Chairman.*
STANLEY C. HARRELL, *Secretary.*
W. E. MCCLENNY, *Historian.*
J. O. ATKINSON, *Treasurer.*

Convention adjourned until tomorrow. Benediction by Dr. W. P. Minton.

THIRD DAY—FORENOON SESSION.

Convention called to order at 9 o'clock. Devotions conducted by Rev. John G. Truitt; theme, "The Travail of His Soul."

Minutes of yesterday read and approved.

Report of C. D. Johnston, Executive Secretary Men and Millions, was read and referred to the Committee on Finance, and adopted as follows:

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE SECRETARY OF MEN AND MILLIONS FORWARD MOVEMENT.

The report of the Executive Secretary of Men and Millions Forward Movement from May 31, 1920, to April 1, 1926, is as follows:

	AMOUNT SUBSCRIBED.
Eastern Virginia Conference	$290,486.25
The three North Carolina Conferences, including North Carolina and Virginia, Western North Carolina, and Eastern North Carolina Conference	174,916.25
Georgia and Alabama Conference	29,968.50
Alabama Conference	19,915.25
Virginia Valley Conference	18,625.45
Total amount subscribed	$533,911.70

AMOUNT COLLECTED.

Eastern Virginia Conference	$ 88,126.18	
The three North Carolina Conferences, including North Carolina and Virginia, Western North Carolina, and Eastern North Carolina Conference	46,159.12	
Georgia and Alabama Conference	2,514.17	
Alabama Conference	4,181.03	
Virginia Valley	7,854.64	
Miscellaneous	84.23	
Total amount collected		148,919.37
Balance uncollected		384,992.33
Amount sent to C. D. West, Treasurer		148,850.00
Balance on hand		69.37

Very respectfully submitted,
CHAS. D. JOHNSTON,
Executive Secretary Men and Millions Forward Movement.

Report of C. D. West, Treasurer of Men and Millions, was read and referred to the Committee on Finance and adopted, as follows:

REPORT OF TREASURER OF MEN AND MILLIONS.

To the Southern Christian Convention:

Below is report of the Men and Millions receipts and disbursements as reflected from the books of your treasurer, covering period since my last report in April, 1924, to this date:

By balance in hand per report, April 26, 1924			$ 309.73
Received from C. D. Johnston since April 26, 1924			40,115.00
Paid out for printing	$ 835.60		
General administration expense	4,158.55		
J. O. Atkinson, salary and expense	6,784.74		
Printing "The Sun"	4,500.00		
Total expense as listed		$16,278.89	
Refunded to Samuel Earman, per agreement		250.00	
Distributed to beneficial agencies:			
"The Sun"	$1,145.15		
Convention	382.06		
H. & F. missions	9,241.18		
S. S. & C. E.	773.09		
Ministerial education	2,310.29		
Elon College	4,158.53		
Bethlehem College	2,772.35		
Aged ministers	1,155.15		
Orphanage	1,205.15		
Rocky Ford Church	250.00		
Sanford Church	100.00		
		23,492.95	
To balance in hand this date		402.89	
		$40,424.73	$40,424.73
April 27, 1926, by balance credit fund as above			$ 402.89

Respectfully submitted,
C. D. WEST,
Treasurer Men and Millions.

A letter of greeting from Dr. J. W. Wellons was read. The Secretary was directed to send him a letter of greeting.

The report of the Special Committee on Financee was read and considered by items. While this report was pending, the report of the Special Committee on Organization was read.

The report of the Committee on Nominations was submitted and the officers and others named therein were elected, as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS.

FOR OFFICERS OF THE CONVENTION.

President—Rev. L. E. Smith, D. D., Norfolk, Va.
Vice-President—Rev. N. G. Newman, D. D., Holland, Va.
Secretary—Rev. I. W. Johnson, D. D., Suffolk, Va.
Assistant Secretary—Mrs. Mary Andrews Rollins, Suffolk, Va.
Treasurer—Rev. W. C. Wicker, D. D., Elon College, N. C.

DELEGATES TO THE GENERAL CONVENTION, URBANA, ILL., OCTOBER, 1926.

Ministers.

J. Fuller Johnson, H. C. Caviness, R. L. Williamson, W. C. Wicker, B. J. Howard, M. T. Sorrell, S. M. Lynam, E. M. Carter, J. J. Dollar, G. D. Hunt, A. W. Andes, R. P. Crumpler, T. J. Green, T. E. White, E. C. Brady, J. M. Allred, J. S. Carden, P. T. Klapp, S. C. Harrell, J. E. McCauley, C. E. Newman, G. R. Underwood, J. U. Newman, J. W. Patton, C. H. Rowland, R. A. Whitten, D. A. Long, J. F. Morgan, W. B. Fuller, J. L. Foster, B. J. Earp, W. D. Harward, H. S. Hardcastle, I. W. Johnson, O. D. Poythress, J. H. Lightbourne, F. C. Lester, G. C. Crutchfield, N. G. Newman, J. G. Truitt, T. Fred Wright, H. E. Truitt, H. W. Elder, H. M. Gray, H. W. Dowding, P. H. Fleming, C. C. Ryan, M. W. Sutcliffe, J. Lee Johnson, W. H. Garman, W. D. Parry, H. C. Taylor, J. O. Atkinson, J. C. Cummins.

Laymen.

E. E. Holland, J. E. West, J. F. West, I. A. Luke, J. A. Williams, L. R. Jones, B. D. Jones, W. V. Leathers, M. J. W. White, Mrs. M. J. W. White, Mrs. R. T. Bradford, Dr. J. E. Rawls, W. S. Beamon, T. A. Jones, Mrs. W. V. Leathers, Mrs. M. L. Bryant, J. A. Kimball, K. B. Johnson, Miss Pattie Coghill, Mrs. L. L. Vaughan, Miss Ruth Johnson, Miss Gertrude Brown, W. K. Holt, Mrs. J. H. Harden, J. C. Simpson, F. F. Myrick, Mrs. C. H. Rowland, Mrs. W. A. Harper, C. D. Johnston, W. E. Walker, Mrs. S. C. Harrell, W. H. Smith, T. J. Holland, J. H. Abell.

Members General Convention Ex-Officio.

Roy C. Helfenstein, W. A. Harper, C. H. Rowland, W. W. Staley, L. E. Smith, W. H. Denison, G. O. Lankford, W. S. Alexander, W. T. Walters, H. S. Smith, Miss Helen Stearns, S. L. Beougher.

TRUSTEES OF ELON COLLEGE.

(Term Expires May, 1932.)

Lieutenant Governor J. E. West, Suffolk, Va.; Col. M. L. Gray, Margarettsville, N. C.; A. T. Holland, Suffolk, Va.; Rev. P. H. Fleming, D. D., Burlington, N. C.; Mr. Chas. D. Johnston, Elon College, N. C.; Dr. E. L. Moffitt, Asheboro, N. C.; Dr. C. H. Rowland, Greensboro, N. C.; Mr. J. M. Darden, Suffolk, Va.; Mr. J. W. Stout, Sanford, N. C.; Dr. C. M. Walters, Burlington, N. C.; Rev. A. W. Andes, Harrisonburg, Va.; Rev. J. G. Truitt, Norfolk, Va.; Mr. J. H. Harden, Graham, N. C.; Prof. L. L. Vaughan, College Station, Ra-

leigh, N. C.; Mr. Frank Auman, Seagrove, N. C.; Mr. J. A. Williams, Franklin, Va.; Rev. L. E. Smith, D. D., Norfolk, Va.; Mr. Luther E. Carlton, Kinston, N. C.; Rev. Stanley C. Harrell, Durham, N. C.; Mr. John B. Hutton, Dover, Del.; Rev. J. H. Lightbourne, Holland, Va.; Mr. Walter C. Rawls, Richmond, Va.

TRUSTEES OF BETHLEHEM COLLEGE.

(Term Expires May, 1932.)

Rev. H. W. Elder, Richland, Ga.; Dr. J. T. Clack, Abanda, Ala.; Mr. J. W. Payne, Wedowee, Ala.; Dr. T. H. Denny, Wadley, Ala.; Mr. J. W. Lane, Lafayette, Ala.; Mr. V. E. Kitchens, Roanoke, Ala.; Hon. K. B. Johnson, Fuquay Spring, N. C.; Mr. E. P. Gay, St. Petersburg, Fla.; Mr. W. H. Roylston, Lafayette, Ala.; Mr. W. C. Wann. Pisgah, Ala.; Mr. W. H. Floyd, Chipley, Ga.; Mr. Walter Denson, Columbus, Ga.; Mr. W. K. Holt, Burlington, N. C.; Mr. C. C. Howell, Jacksonville, Fla.; Mr. Walker Pearson, Tifton, Ga.; Mr. J. Pressley Hill, Buffalo, Ala.; Mr. S. H. Huey, Wedowee, Ala.; Mr. H. A. Carlton, Raleigh, N. C.

TRUSTEES OF THE CHRISTIAN ORPHANAGE.

(Term Expires May, 1932.)

Mr. B. D. Jones, Holland, Va.; Mr. J. M. Darden, Suffolk, Va.; Dr. G. S. Watson, Elon College, N. C.; Mr. John R. Foster, Burlington, N. C.; Mr. Herbert A. Carlton, Raleigh, N. C.

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Rev. W. T. Walters, D. D., Burlington, N. C.; Rev. James H. Lightbourne, Holland, Va.; Mr. E. T. Holland, Holland, Va.; Mrs. J. W. Patton, Elon College, N. C.; Mr. C. H. Stephenson, Raleigh, N. C.; Rev. J. F. Morgan, Norfolk, Va., R. 3; Miss Ruth Johnson, Cardenas, N. C.

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MISSION SECRETARY.

Rev. J. O. Atkinson, D. D., Elon College, N. C.

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EDITORS OF "CHRISTIAN SUN."

Rev. J. O. Atkinson, D. D., Elon College, N. C., editor-in-chief; Rev. W. W. Staley, D. D., Suffolk, Va.; Rev. Roy C. Helfenstein, D. D., Dover, Del.; Rev. Stanley C. Harrell, Durham, N. C.; Dr. W. A. Harper, Elon College, N. C.—contributing editors; Rev. S. M. Lynam, Wadley, Ala., news editor; Mr. P. J. Kernodle, M. A., Richmond, Va., managing editor.

RECOMMENDATION.

We recommend that during the next biennium—May 1, 1926, to May 1, 1928—$600.00 be appropriated from the Convention Fund annually for secretarial help for the President of the Convention, to be paid in equal monthly installments.

W. P. LAWRENCE,
H. W. ELDER,
J. G. TRUITT,
E. E. HOLLAND,
J. W. LANE,
Committee.

Convention adjourned for dinner. Benediction by Dr. N. G. Newman.

THIRD DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

Convention called to order at 2 o'clock. Prayer led by Rev. J. W. Patton.

Report of the custodian of the Ministerial Funds of the Southern Christian Convention was read by Dr. W. A. Harper, and, on motion, adopted, as follows:

REPORT OF CUSTODIAN OF MINISTERIAL FUNDS.

To the Southern Christian Convention, Assembled in Durham, N. C., April 27 to April 30, 1926.

DEAR BRETHREN:

As Custodian of the Ministerial Funds of the Southern Christian Convention, I have the honor to submit to you the following report:

RECEIPTS.

1924		
4-28	Received of L. E. Smith, President	$ 600.00
4-28	Received from H. J. Fleming, on note	5.00
5- 8	Received from Hon. Ben T. Holden, on note of W. A. Massey	100.00
6-21	Received of Dr. L. E. Smith, President	200.00
5-10	Received of T. F. Wright, on notes	83.60
5-10	Received of H. C. Simpson, Treasurer	81.00
12- 8	Received of Dr. L. E. Smith	250.00
1925		
1-27	Received of H. J. Fleming, on note	5.00
2-27	Received of H. J. Fleming, on note	2.75
3- 9	Received of Dr. L. E. Smith, President	400.00
5-18	Received of Dr. L. E. Smith, President	250.00
8-12	Received of Dr. L. E. Smith, President	250.00
9-13	Received of L. L. Wyrick, on note	25.00
1926		
1-27	Received of H. J. Fleming, on note	10.00
2- 4	Received of G. O. Lankford, on note	25.00
4-14	Received of H. W. May, on note	100.00
	Total receipts	$2,647.64

DISBURSEMENTS

1924		
9-15	S. D. Lankford, on note	$ 150.00
	T. F. Wright, on note	83.60
11-10	M. A. Pollard, on note	200.00
11-14	J. H. Dollar, on note	150.00
1925		
1- 5	J. H. Dollar, on note	100.00
1- 6	Dwight M. Spence, on note	100.00
1-27	E. M. Carter, on note	150.00
1-30	H. E. Crutchfield, on note	50.00
2- 9	W. B. Terrell, on note	150.00
2-27	H. E. Crutchfield, on note	50.00
3-21	H. E. Crutchfield, on note	50.00
2-12	E. Carl Brady, on note	150.00
11-17	A. H. Hook, on note	200.00
11-21	W. J. B. Hines, on note	125.00
11-23	J. U. Fogleman, on note	150.00
11-25	Silas Madren, on note	75.00
12-14	D. M. Spence, on note	100.00
12-16	W. J. B. Hines, on loan	15.00
1926		
1-28	Silas Madren, on note	25.00
1-29	W. T. Scott, on note	150.00
2-19	E. Carl Brady, on note	100.00
2-23	J. U. Fogleman, on note	50.00
4-10	D. M. Spence, on note	100.00
	Total disbursements	$2,473.60

The custodian has in his hands at present the following:

NOTES.

J. C. Barrett	$ 270.00	C. B. Riddle	255.00
W. H. Brewer	100.00	W. T. Scott	700.00
G. C. Crutchfield	900.00	W. B. Terrell	450.00
H. E. Crutchfield	250.00	I. T. Underwood	140.00
J. H. Dollar	834.00	W. L. Wells	310.00
H. J. Fleming	237.25	L. L. Wyrick	50.00
W. B. Fuller	125.00	W. A. Massey	500.00
H. T. Gray	100.00	D. M. Spence	300.00
A. H. Hook	400.00	E. M. Carter	150.00
W. C. Hook	50.00	E. Carl Brady	250.00
Miss Siddie Latham	100.00	Mortgage note of A. J. Holliday	300.00
G. O. Lankford	28.13	W. J. B. Hines	140.00
S. D. Lankford	250.00	J. U. Fogleman	200.00
S. M. Lynam	550.00	Silas Madren	100.00
Joseph E. McCauley	125.00		
M. A. Pollard	600.00		
		Total notes	$8,805.38

In addition to the above notes, the custodian holds the following:

Cash in bank	$ 350.97
Certificates of deposit	355.00
Real estate bonds, Standard R. & S. Co.	2,250.00
Total	$2,955.97

SUMMARY.

Total resources of Ministerial Fund:

Notes	$ 8,805.38
In bank and securities	2,955.97
Total	$11,761.35

Your custodian would ask that the Convention might have a committee to go over and verify the above statements and his books.

THOMAS C. AMICK,
Custodian Ministerial Fund Southern Christian Convention.

The President appointed the Committee on Loans to audit the report.

Report of Committee on Religious Education was read by Dr. W. T. Walters and, on motion, adopted, as follows:

REPORT OF BOARD OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION.

In a world where men do not know, you can command; in a world where men think, you can only direct. The child world of a generation ago was one of limited knowledge and restricted observation which made it easier to secure obedience in the home. With the passing of the decades, the child has been growing into a larger world knowledge and thought. The independent class of young people today is the product of our better educational advantages and larger opportunities of observation. They are thinking for themselves, and the force that controls them must be directive rather than coercive. If we are to save them for the Church and kingdom, we must concentrate our efforts in the preparation of spiritual leaders. It is this need—this crying demand of the hour—that has brought the various religious educational organizations into being. The most far-reaching work of the Church today is its leadership training.

Your Board of Religious Education, since its formation in 1918, has been endeavoring to meet this need in the Churches of the Southern Christian Convention, as far as our limited means would permit. We have kept a secretary in the field most of the time, have assisted in better organization of the schools and Christian Endeavor Societies, and conducted daily vacation Bible schools.

We have promoted and furnished teachers for teacher-training classes, held institutes, assisted in organization of Sunday School and Christian Endeavor Conventions, and in planning and promoting the annual programs of said conventions, conducted Chautauqua and School of Methods at Elon and Bethlehem Colleges, in addition to regular field and office work in securing statistics and furnishing information and literature. The Sunday School and Christian Endeavor Handbook has been published both years of the biennium.

Daily vacation Bible schools have been conducted in the following Churches in the last two years: Eastern Virginia Conference—Christian Temple, First Church, Norfolk; Portsmouth, First and Elm Avenue; Richmond, Newport News, Holland and Holy Neck, Franklin, Suffolk, Waverly; North Carolina Conferences—Burlington, Elon College with Chautauqua, Greensboro First, Henderson, Bethel; Virginia Valley—Bethlehem, Winchester, Antioch, Linville; Alabama—Wadley, with Chautauqua.

The office work has included maintaining a bureau of information, preparation for "Children's Day," including issuance of special program, furnishing material for *Christian Sun* and other periodicals, and all work incident to the two annual Chautauquas. Christian Endeavor notes have been furnished for *The Sun* by the field secretary, and the Sunday School notes by Rev. H. S. Hardcastle, to whom the board wishes to express its deep appreciation.

Following is the treasurer's report to the Board of Religious Education, Southern Christian Convention, Durham, N. C., May 1, 1924, to May 1, 1926:

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Receipts.

Elon College, advertising	$ 100.00
Men and Millions	513.00
Georgia and Alabama S. S. Convention	99.59
Eastern Virginia S. S. Convention	1,000.00
Valley Virginia S. S. Convention	50.00
Valley Central S. S. Convention	50.00
North Carolina S. S. Convention	198.14
Eastern North Carolina S. S. Convention	96.78
Western North Carolina Conference	100.00
Eastern Virginia Conference	250.00
North Carolina and Virginia Conference	150.00
First Sunday School, Richmond	19.26
Bethlehem Sunday School	8.28
Noon Day, Alabama	4.15
Lowell, Alabama	2.45
Christian Education, 24	365.34
Christian Education	331.97
Dover, Del., secretary's expense	25.00
Rosemont, secretary's expense	12.50
Twenty-nine Children's Day offerings	163.10
Borrowed from bank	100.00
Total receipts	$3,639.74
Balance in bank May 1, 1924	592.54
Grand total	$4,232.28

Disbursements.

Miss Pattie Coghill, salary	$1,860.00	
Extra help, Bible school	40.64	
Office and traveling expense	543.89	
Stationery, etc.	66.81	
Elon Chautauqua accounts	310.44	
Expense, board meetings	98.50	
Central Publishing Company, printing and Handbooks	488.75	
Bixby Letter Company, Christian education	37.03	
Check, Miss Lucy Eldredge	349.56	
Check, Mr. Hermon Eldredge	331.97	
Paid Com. National Bank, note	100.00	
Paid Com. National Bank, interest	.50	
Total disbursements	$4,228.09	
Balance in bank, May 1, 1926	4.19	
Grand total		$4,232.28

Respectfully submitted this the 28th day of April, 1926.

C. H. STEPHENSON,
Treasurer.

We wish to record our appreciation for the helpful co-operation of the Board of Christian Education of the General Convention of the Christian Church, through its chairman, Dr. W. A. Harper, and the regional director of Christian education of Rev. J. H. Lightbourne, and for the services of Mr. Hermon Eldredge, who has served on faculty at both the Elon and Bethlehem Chautauquas, and Miss Lucy M. Eldredge, who has given more than three months of time to the Southern Convention during this biennium, and for lit-

erature which has been furnished for all phases of our work by the General Board.

PLANS.

We plan to co-operate in every way in our power with Churches planning to hold daily vacation Bible schools this summer. There is a decided increase in interest in this phase of our work, and to the limit of our resources we plan to provide information, promote and furnish workers to help in this work.

We plan to promote leadership training, through local training classes, through training classes for a week in centers, and through our two Chautauquas, and also that more and more our Convention programs may be planned to become agencies in leadership training.

In order that our Sunday Schools may determine to what extent they are meeting the needs of their respective communities, the board is hoping to arrange for a community survey in each locality, plans and promotion in charge of field secretary.

In our Elon program for this summer, eight standard credit courses will be offered. Next year, or as soon as the books are available, we shall hope to offer the newly worked out courses, including the high school level course, standard course (representing freshman and sophomore college work), and the graduate, or advanced course.

The board, in session at Elon College, in August, 1925, voted to endeavor to organize the young people of the Southern Christian Convention into young people's congresses. Some progress has been made, and we plan to promote young people's work throughout all parts of the Convention in every way in our power.

RECOMMENDATIONS.

That each Church send two or more representatives to the summer schools at Elon and Bethlehem each year, paying all or a part of their expenses.

In view of the two separate offerings which we have been taking, one for our board and one for the Board of Christian Education of the General Convention, we recommend the combining of the two.

That this board request the Board of Christian Education of the General Convention to elect the field secretary of this board as regional director for the South.

Respectfully submitted,

W. T. WALTERS, *Chairman.*
E. T. HOLLAND.
J. F. MORGAN.
C. H. STEPHENSON.

Report of the Board of Education was read by Dr. W. A. Harper, Chairman, and, on motion, adopted, as follows:

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION.

Education is a continuous process. The years spent in school and college are most valuable in developing habits of thought and attitudes of life. In Christian colleges, these years should prepare us to live with and for each other and unto God as revealed in Jesus Christ. Particularly speaking, they should lead to the understanding of the persons whom we seek to influence for Christ, enable us to develop the resources for character building which the gospel puts at our disposal, and help us find the most effective point of contact for the Christian message in circles with which the Church is now practically out of touch. The ultimate goal of Christian education is a redeemed humanity and a social order completely dominated by the spirit of our Master.

The Universal Christian Conference on Life and Work issued a statement for the world, from which we quote two paragraphs, as follows:

"Christian education, to be effective, must begin at home. On this we all agree. If we have failed in the larger sphere, it is because we have first of

all failed there. We have spoken of love, and too often our conduct has given our words the lie. We have preached brotherhood and lived as strangers, sometimes even as enemies. Much has been said, and rightly, about the impossibility of a Christian society apart from the Christian individuals who compose it, and doubts have been expressed even in this conference as to whether such a society is really possible. But may it not prove that one reason why the Christianization of society as a whole seems so impossible is because we who call ourselves Christians have made so poor a showing in the sphere in which we profess to believe that the Christian life *is* possible? With one heart and mind we confess our common sin; and pray for that life-giving Spirit which is able to renew and to transform each surrendered soul.

"We recognize the present need of education. The individual must be educated by the Church so that he may be expected to experience a Christian discernment in all things. The churches must educate themselves by study, conference, and prayer, so that being led by the spirit of truth into all truth, they may be enabled in increasing measure to apprehend the mind of Christ. We recognize that the root of evil is to be found in the human will, and we, therefore, desire to re-emphasize our conviction that this will must be surrendered to the high and holy will of God, whose service is perfect freedom. Even Christian ideas and ideals cannot save the world, being separated from their personal source in the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, and unless these are taken up into the personal life of the believer."

ELON AND LEADERSHIP TRAINING.

The Mooney Christian Education Building gives Elon College an unique opportunity of service to the Church. It is the first instance of a Laboratory Building in Christian Education in an American college. The course of study given in Elon's Department of Christian Education is designed to train young people to be directors of religious education in local churches, to prepare for seminary and graduate work in the same subjects, and to qualify a much larger group for efficient work as volunteer lay workers in our churches. Those who complete the courses Bible I and Religious Education I are awarded the International Certificate in Teacher Training. After this work is completed, those who desire to go further in the department are given advanced courses in both Bible and Religious Education and used as teachers in the Week Day Religious School maintained as the laboratory of the department. Prof. S. A. Bennett is the director of this work.

THE EMERGENCY BUILDING PROGRAM.

Soon after the fire of January 18, 1923, the Board of Trustees of the college created two committees which will become historic in the history of Elon. These were The Emergency Fund and The Building Committees. The members of the Emergency Fund Committee were Col. E. E. Holland, chairman, Dr. I. W. Johnson, recording secretary, Col. J. E. West, P. J. Carlton, J. D. Gray (deceased), Dr. J. O. Atkinson, Hon. K. B. Johnson, Dr. W. H. Boone, Dr. L. E. Smith, Dr. W. W. Staley, Dr. E. L. Moffitt, and W. A. Harper, field agent. The Building Committee consisted of W. A. Harper, chairman, D. R. Fonville, secretary, Dr. R. M. Morrow, Chas. D. Johnston, Col. Robert L. Holt (deceased), and Col. F. L. Williamson. These committees functioned if ever committees did, and a new Elon is the result. The new building program has cost $787,121.10. The details are given herewith.

Name of Building.	*Cost.*	*Paid.*
Alamance (Administration)	$130,251.76	$ 34,186.45
Whitley (Auditorium)	83,534.36	50,000.00
Duke (Science)	81,311.32	70,000.00
Carlton (Library)	85,000.00	85,000.00
Mooney (Christian Education)	102,601.27	100,000.00

Outside Service System	44,008.34	
Porticoes	10,560.00	
Campus Grounds Walls	52,000.00	
General Expense Items	44,283.96	
Furniture and equipment	120,423.77	
Equipment of Library	15,000.00	15,000,00
Books for Library	18,147.32	
Raised for General Purposes		129,905.65
Totals	$787,121.10	$484,092.10
Balance due on Rebuilding Program		$303,029.00
The College was in debt at the time of the fire for General Improvements and Expenses		114,750.00
Total Indebtedness to date		$432,779.00
Less Real Estate Bonds belonging to the Emergency Fund		15,000.00
Net Indebtedness		$417,779.00

ASSETS OF ELON COLLEGE.

Building and Equipment after the fire	$ 399,690.80
New Buildings, Equipment and Material	787,121.10
Endowment	430,679.45
Southern Christian Convention Bonds*	500,000.00
Total	$ 2,117,491.36
Less Indebtedness	417,779.00
Net Assets	$ 1,699,712.36

As a protection against its debt the College and its friends are carrying $215,000.00 insurance on the life of the president. The insurance carried on the buildings and equipment is $600,000.00. During the year 1925-26, the College has reduced its indebtedness $85,000.00.

Elon has enrolled her full quota of 400 students for the year 1925-26.

ELON'S FINANCIAL NEEDS.

Elon has asked the Special Committee on Finance for $36,750.00 annually, which includes interest on the note of $112,500 given the college several years ago and which has been paid by the Conference Apportionment. The College's asking is for 6 per cent interest on this note. The remainder of Elon's asking, $30,000.00, is to aid in caring for the balance due on the Emergency Building Program.

Elon needs to bring her endowment speedily to $1,000,000.00, and to secure large gifts for the liquidation of the indebtedness. All payments on the principal of the indebtedness will be credited on the Convention Bonds, and bonds in corresponding amounts surrendered to the Convention Treasurer.

BETHLEHEM COLLEGE.

Bethlehem College, Wadley, Ala., is doing an educational work for Georgia and Alabama. Rev. H. W. Elder is financial agent to secure funds for a much needed Administration Building to cost $50,000.00 on which work has already begun. We understand that they have pledges to meet the expense

*The Convention is to be asked to vote the full $500,000.00 in bonds for Elon at this session. Two years ago only $400,000.00 of them were specifically voted to Elon.

of this building. We congratulate them and hope their constituency will see them through with the proposition. Dr. S. L. Beougher, as president, and his faculty are doing a fine work for the Church in their efforts and sacrifices for Bethlehem.

Bethlehem's assets are $29,200, invested in buildings and equipment, and the Convention note for endowment of $12,500.00, making a total of $41,700.00. There is a mortgage indebtedness of $11,050.00 and current indebtedness of $6,356.00, making a total of $17,406.00 indebtedness. This makes the net assets $24,296.00. This however does not include the $100,000.00 of Convention Bonds voted to Bethlehem two years ago and which were returned to the vault of Elon College, awaiting the Convention's further instructions. We recommend that these bonds be given to the Board of Trustees of Elon College on the same terms as the $400,000.00 they already hold.

Bethlehem asks the Special Committee on Finance to include them in the budget for $10,000.00 next year for current expenses.

The enrollment this year has been 116, and there are ten members of the faculty.

President Beougher says he must secure for endowment shortly an additional $250,000.00.

We recommend nine additional trustees be allowed Bethlehem College at this time.

DRS. LONG AND BARRETT AND MR. CORWITH.

Dr. W. S. Long, a member of this Board, has passed to his reward since the last session of the Convention. Dr. Long was the first president of Elon College and led in its founding. His death came as a shock to a host that loved and honored him.

Dr. J. Pressley Barrett died while the Convention was in session two years ago. He was a trustee of Elon College and did constructive work in creating sentiment for the College's founding. His death removed a valiant and trusted friend of Christian Education from our active leadership.

Elon has done what she could to express its appreciation for these distinguished leaders. Bronze tablets on the walls of the rotunda of the Alamance Building memorialize them and their great labors. We beg leave to quote these tablets in full as follows:

REV. WILLIAM SAMUEL LONG, A. M., D. D.
Oct. 23, 1839—Aug. 3, 1924
Founder and First President of Elon College

Christian Minister, Christian Educator, Christian Statesman Christian Gentleman. A man great in faith, whole hearted in consecration, consistently energetic, and possessed of rare personal charm and grace.

REV. JOHN PRESSLEY BARRETT, D. D.
Feb. 5, 1852—May 1, 1924
Minister, Religious Journalist and Author

As a man, pious and devout; as an editor, a staunch defender of the truth; as an author, concerned only for the highest ideals; as a minister, loyal to the Gospel and to Jesus Christ. A Trustee of Elon College from the beginning and an unwavering friend. As editor of *The Christian Sun*, he created sentiment that made the founding of Elon College possible.

Since the last session of the Convention, Mr. William F. Corwith of Brooklyn, N. Y., a trustee of the College and generous friend, has passed to his reward. He was a man modest but devout and profoundly interested in the program and future of the College, of whose Board of Trustees he was an honored and generous member. The Convention should adopt suitable resolutions at this time and forward them to his family.

We call upon the Convention to stand to its feet in recognition of the lives and services of these three stalwart friends of Christian Education, and that a prayer of thanks to God and of sympathy for the bereaved relatives and friends be offered.

TRUSTEES TO BE NOMINATED AT THIS SESSION.

The term of office of the following trustees expires in May, 1926:

J. E. West, M. L. Gray, A. T. Holland, P. H. Fleming, Chas. D. Johnston, E. L. Moffitt, C. H. Rowland, J. M. Darden, and Joe W. Stout.

In addition to this, Rev. W. T. Walters, upon becoming field secretary, resigned from the Board and Mr. W. F. Corwith has died. It will, therefore, be necessary for the Convention at this session to nominate twenty-two persons, from whom the trustees at their May session this year will elect eleven.

We call upon our people to support our institutions of Christian Education by their patronage, by their gifts, and by their prayers.

W. A. HARPER,
W. W. STALEY,
E. L. MOFFITT,
J. G. TRUITT,
Board of Education.

Address by Rev. J. H. Lightbourne; theme, "Our Denominational Progress in Christian Education."

Report of Special Committee on Finance was taken up for consideration, and adopted as follows:

Report of Committee on Finance was read and adopted, as follows:

REPORT OF SPECIAL FINANCE COMMITTEE.

The committee recommends that the Convention adopt the financial budget of $150,000 per year, $25,000 of which is to be raised by apportionment through the several Conferences and as recommended by the report of the Apportionment Committee, page 36 of the 1925 ANNUAL, and be distributed as follows:

Publications	$5,000.00
Convention	5,000.00
Superannuation	3,000.00

And that the balance of $12,000 be distributed 40 per cent to colleges, 32 per cent to missions, 20 per cent to orphanage, 8 per cent to Christian education.

$125,000 distributed as follows:

		Per Cent.	
Missions	$39,000.00	31.2	32.
Christian education	9,000.00	7.2	8.
Colleges and schools	47,000.00	37.6	40.
Orphanage	30,000.00	24.0	20.
		100.0	

And that this amount—viz, $125,000.00—be apportioned to the Churches of the Convention through the Conferences as a benevolent budget, but gifts made by individuals and organizations not a member of a Christian Church or congregation shall not be credited on the apportionment of any Church, but shall be credited as an additional gift from any Church receiving said gift, but shall not be charged against the quota of any board or institution receiving said gift. All other gifts or contributions by Churches, members thereof, or any Sunday School, society, or organization connected therewith, except individual gifts of $5,000 or more, shall be credited to the local Church and charged to said board or institution on their apportionment. No board or institution shall receive any distribution from suggested benevolent budget unless said board or institution keeps an accurate account with each Church as to all contributions received

from such Church, member thereof, or Sunday School, society, or organization connected therewith.

At end of the year, the Budget Commission is authorized for purposes of equalization to change the percentage of distribution of undesignated funds. It is also authorized to change the percentage for the succeeding year, to the end that each institution or board may receive its prorata part of the suggested benevolent budget each year.

That all pledges to Special Mission Fund, Standardization Fund, and Men and Millions Fund be given the local Churches to be collected, compromised, or canceled, as the local Church may deem wise. However, any collections on these special pledges may be credited to said Church collecting same on their benevolent budget.

The committee recommends a Church calendar year for educating our people to all the needs of the Church. The Church calendar suggested to be in harmony with the Church calendar suggested by the General Convention, and is as follows:

January—Interdenominational co-operation.
February-March—Foreign missions.
April—Evangelism.
May-June—Home missions.
July, August, September and October—Christian education.
November-December—Stewardship, superannuation, Church publication, and orphanage.

The committee further recommends that the method of distribution of Church funds be as follows:

1. The Sunday School and all other organizations within the local Church shall report receipts, disbursements and balances to the last Conference of the local Church before the annual Conference meets.
2. The local Church shall make a full report of all receipts and disbursements, including the Sunday School and all other organizations within the congregations, to the annual Conference of which it is a member.
3. All money raised by or for the Conference shall be paid to the Conference Treasurer, and paid out only by order of the Conference.
4. All money raised by the Convention, or for the Convention by the annual Conferences, shall be paid to the Convention Treasurer.
5. All money raised by or for incorporated organizations of the Convention shall be paid to the treasurers of their respective boards, and paid out only upon the order of said boards; and annual reports of all their financial transactions shall be made to the Southern Christian Convention, or its President.
6. All independent Conference organizations, not incorporated, shall handle their funds through their own treasurer, but shall report all receipts and disbursements, annually, to the body under which they exist and operate.
7. All dependent Convention organizations or boards, not incorporated and not authorized to raise money, shall make payments for distribution or expenses only through the Convention Treasurer, on order of the President.
8. That no incorporated board of the Convention shall assume any financial obligation beyond the means in hand, or already provided, without the approval and consent of the Southern Christian Convention.

W. W. STALEY, *Chairman.*
J. E. WEST.
K. B. JOHNSON.
L. L. VAUGHAN.
P. J. CARLTON.
J. H. LIGHTBOURNE.
W. K. HOLT.
L. E. SMITH, *President.*
I. W. JOHNSON, *Secretary.*

Report of Committee on Organization was read and considered by items. On motion, the report on organization was recommitted to the committee for a reconsideration of item 5.

Convention adjourned until evening session. Benediction by T. F. Wright.

THIRD DAY—EVENING SESSION.

Convention met and called to order at 8 o'clock. Devotion conducted by Dr. W. S. Alexander.

Report of the Woman's Board and the Woman's Missionary Convention was read by Mrs. J. A. Williams and, on motion, adopted and approved, as follows:

REPORT OF WOMAN'S MISSIONARY CONVENTION.

The Woman's Missionary Convention of the Southern Christian Convention submits the following report:

One hundred and eighteen Churches in the North Carolina Conference: 37 Woman's Missionary Societies, 12 Young People's Missionary Societies, 8 Willing Workers' Societies, 8 Cradle Roll Societies. Amount apportioned for the biennium 1924-1926, $7,200.00; amount raised, $7,193.92.

Virginia Valley Conference: 27 Churches, 4 Woman's Missionary Societies, 133 members; 6 Young People's Missionary Societies, 177 members; 6 Cradle Roll Societies, 93 members. Amount apportioned for biennium 1924-1926, $1,000.00; amount raised, $677.46.

Georgia and Alabama Conference: Amount raised for biennium 1924-1926, $26.58.

Alabama Conference: 27 Churches, 9 Woman's Missionary Societies, 134 members; 1 cradle roll, 7 members. Amount apportioned for the biennium 1924-1926, $450.00; total amount raised, $135.66.

Eastern Virginia Conference: 47 Churches, 25 Woman's Societies, 1,008 members; 14 Willing Workers' Societies, 310 members; 17 Cradle Rolls, 399 members. Amount apportioned for biennium 1924-1926, $11,000.00; amount raised, $12,366.94.

Total apportionment, $20,000.00; total amount raised, $20,400.50.

The Woman's Missionary Convention was in session Wednesday morning and Thursday morning, with an attendance of 100 delegates. At the Wednesday morning session we were favored with an address by Mrs. Dan. C. Brummitt, of Chicago, who delighted her audience.

With the approval of this body, the Woman's Missionary Convention will meet Tuesday before the first Sunday in May, 1928, at 10 A. M., and request one evening service during the Convention.

The following officers were elected, subject to approval of this body: president, Mrs. J. A. Williams; vice-president, Mrs. J. L. Foster; secretary, Miss Margaret Alston; corresponding secretary, Mrs. E. L. Beale; treasurer, Mrs. H. S. Hardcastle; superintendent of young people's work, Mrs. R. T. Bradford; superintendent of cradle roll, Mrs. I. W. Johnson; superintendent of literature and mite boxes, Miss Gertrude Browne.

In a task so great as that of missions there cannot be freedom from imperfection. There are natural as well as unforseen difficulties, lack of co-operation and vision in some Churches, lack of knowledge in others; but in the face of all difficulties we are grateful to God and to our leadership for the way in which we have been led. Missionary activities have done much for us individually—they have deepened our devotional life and our faith.

A successful advance also means a change in outlook. We face a broader

field of usefulness; we must go forward and follow up the advantage gained, to meet the present and coming situation and to plan for the real mission of the Church and to accomplish the vital task God has for us to do. We have before us an unfinished task which is the task of the whole Church, and that will not be consummated until we have reached the last member of the Church with the spirit of missions, and this can never be reached by money standard, but because of heart-beats of human brotherhood.

While great emphasis has been widely placed on securing finances, the time has come for greater spiritual emphasis on stewardship of time and service for the building up and the extension of the kingdom in the local Church and community. To this end, our giving of money should not be less, but more, as God prospers us, and that we should add to our gift of money our gift of time and self.

We heartily approve the definite and far-sighted policy which has been adopted by our Mission Board; therefore, we intend to co-operate by putting spiritual value first and raising our standard 10 per cent higher in goals, organizations and membership each year, and giving ourselves to definite prayer, that obstacles may be removed, that hearts may be opened, that goals may be reached, to the end that our Lord Jesus Christ may be crowned Lord of all.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. J. A. WILLIAMS.

It was moved and carried that the Convention endorse the evangelistic work of Rev. H. C. Caviness, evangelist, and commend him to the brotherhood.

Address: "Christian Education in the Home," Prof. S. A. Bennett, of Elon College, N. C.

Address: "Leadership in the Church," Miss Lucy Eldredge.

Address: "Impressions of the Birmingham Convention for Young People," Miss Pattie Coghill.

Address: "Christian Education in Our Colleges," Rev. F. C. Lester.

It was moved and carried that a vote of thanks be extended the choir and friends who have rendered the music for the Convention.

Address: "The Results of the Program of Christian Education," by Dr. W. A. Harper.

The report of the Committee on Organization was taken up for consideration, and after much discussion the report was finally adopted, as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON ORGANIZATION.

1. That the Southern Christian Convention, at each session, shall appoint a board of nine members to be known as the Board of Policy and Finance; said board to be composed of the three members of the Executive Committee of the Convention and six members elected from the body of the Convntion.

2. The said board shall elect from its own body a chairman, a vice-chairman, and a secretary, whose duties shall be prescribed by said board.

3. The board shall meet annually on Monday preceding the first Sunday of May, and at such other times as conditions may require, upon the call of either the chairman of the board or the President of the Convention.

4. The duties of the board shall be to co-ordinate the financial program of the Convention by preparing a biannual budget for the different departments and boards of the Convention, said budget to be based upon the cash receipts of the previous year and the needs of the respective departments and boards, the said departments and boards to prepare and submit in writing to the Board

of Policy and Finance an annual estimate of their respective requirements and a statement of their expenditures for the previous year; which report shall be made thirty days prior to the meeting of the Board of Policy and Finance. The boards and departments shall confer with and secure the consent of the Board of Policy and Finance before contracting any debts in excess of its budget or before asking any special offering from the Churches or their constituencies. It shall be the duty of any board or department receiving a contribution from any source to report the same to the Board of Policy and Finance.

5. The Treasurer of the Convention shall be the general treasurer for all departments and boards of the Convention. All offerings and funds received by the departments from the Churches and Conferences shall be sent to the general treasurer for the purpose of record; and a report of all individual designated gifts, and interest therefrom, shall be submitted to the general treasurer quarterly. All designated gifts shall be used specifically for the purpose for which they were contributed. The treasurer shall send all designated funds in his possession to the respective departments and boards weekly, and the funds from Conference apportionments on order of the President and Secretary of the Convention. The general treasurer shall be required to make a complete annual statement to the Board of Policy and Finance of all receipts and disbursements thirty days prior to the meeting of the board.

6. This board shall execute the policies of the Southern Christian Convention in its various relationships to the General Convention.

7. The Executive Committee of the Convention, the Mission Secretary, the superintendent of the Christian Orphanage, chairman of the Board of Christian Education, and the president of Elon College shall constitute a benevolence commission, whose duty it shall be to promote the benevolence budget.

8. It shall be the duty of the Secretary of the Convention to notify all persons elected or appointed to office or membership on any committee, commission or board of the Convention within thirty days after its adjournment.

J. H. LIGHTBOURNE,
E. E. HOLLAND,
R. C. HELFENSTEIN,
Committee.

It was moved and carried that we reconsider the action taken this afternoon providing for a Woman's Advisory Board for Elon College and Bethlehem College to appoint such a board. The Secretary was instructed to inform the college boards of this request.

Committee on Group Insurance for Ministers made the following report, which was adopted:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON GROUP INSURANCE.

O. L. Group—100 men, carrying $2,000.00 each, $200,000.00; average age, 43; gross premium cost, $1,900.00.

This insurance carries dividends with which to reduce the premiums.

Premiums may be paid monthly, but if they are paid annually, 3 per cent discount is allowed. From this the dividends are deducted. This policy is paid for by organization, and should the insured individuals pay to the organization any part of the premium, the group may include only 75 per cent of your membership (but if the organization pays all, then all are required to be insured—it has no surrender value). Disability benefit is to the effect that when insured is totally disabled the face of his policy is due either in lump sum or in installments until face of policy has been paid.

If as much as $200,000.00 is taken, the maximum amount for any one is $4,000.00 (minimum in any amount is $500.00). If the sum is $400,000.00, the maximum is $5,000.00. Short medical examination is required for disability; otherwise, insurance is issued without examination.

We, your Committee on Group Insurance, submit this plan and recommend that the Convention President appoint a committee of three to place the plan before the ministers of the Convention without delay. And that this committee, so named, carry the plan through.

MILTON W. SUTCLIFFE.
W. H. BOONE,
J. E. WEST.

It was moved and carried that the name of "Board of Religious Education" be changed to "Board of Christian Education."

Report of Committee on Credentials submitted and adopted, as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS.

To the Southern Christian Convention:

Your Committee on Credentials reports the following attendance of elders and laymen to the twenty-seventh regular session of the Southern Christian Convention, held at Durham, N. C., April 27-30, 1926:

	Elders.	Laymen.	Total.
Alabama Conference	2	2	4
Georgia and Alabama Conference	1	..	1
Eastern North Carolina Conference	6	12	18
Western North Carolina Conference	3	6	9
North Carolina and Virginia Conference	10	8	18
Virginia Valley Central Conference	3	2	5
Eastern Virginia Conference	22	24	46
Totals	47	54	101
Attending our Woman's Missionary Convention			100

Respectfully submitted,
C. H. STEPHENSON,
J. A. KIMBALL,
B. E. WHITE,
Committee.

Convention adjourned until tomorrow A. M. Benediction by Dr. G. O. Lankford.

FOURTH DAY—FORENOON SESSION.

Convention met and called to order at 9 o'clock. Devotions conducted by Rev. J. G. Truitt; theme, "The Saving Sacrifice."

Minutes of yesterday read and approved.

The following Executive Board was elected: L. E. Smith, E. E. Holland, I. W. Johnson.

A bill amounting to $10.70 was ordered paid to C. M. Cannon for expenses as Press Committee and printing two reports of committees.

It was moved and carried that the Secretary have 300 copies of the minutes printed for distribution at once, and also have minutes printed in THE ANNUAL for this year.

It was moved and carried that the Executive Board be requested to

prepare a plan of suggested methods for reporting Conference financial receipts.

Report of Committee on Temperance was read by Dr. G. O. Lankford and was, on motion, adopted, as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON TEMPERANCE.

1. We call upon the constituency of the Southern Christian Convention to give all possible aid to every agency that is seeking to carry into effect the eighteenth amendment, and pledge our support to all faithful officers who are endeavoring to uphold the law, at the same time calling upon all officers to do their utmost in the direction of law enforcement in our land.

2. We deplore the fact that in certain centers and sections the press is giving aid to the wet propaganda of the liquor forces, and call upon this great agency for public welfare to use its mighty power to assist the righteous forces of the nation in upholding the laws of the land.

3. We earnestly suggest that we set ourselves positively against all crime, lawlessness and immorality prevalent throughout the nation, and urge that in our homes, Churches, public schools and civic institutions increasing instruction and emphasis be given for the strengthening of the cause of righteousness in our national life.

4. We desire to express our hearty appreciation to every organization, agency, or individual that has made or is making any worthy contribution to the proper respect and observance of the laws of the nation.

Respectfully submitted,

G. O. LANKFORD,
WARREN H. DENISON,
Committee.

Report of Board of Publications was read by Rev. Stanley C. Harrell. On motion, the report was adopted, as follows:

REPORT OF BOARD OF PUBLICATIONS.

We, your Board of Publications, beg leave to submit the following report:

It is the agreement of the board that *The Christian Sun,* as it has been produced during the closing biennium, has been, in material presented, in mechanical make-up, and general appearance and tone, such as to be creditable to our Church and people. It is to be sincerely regretted that *The Christian Sun* is not receiving a far wider circulation among our people.

We recommend that the Convention make the following contract with the Central Publishing Company, of Richmond, Va.:

P. J. Kernodle will serve as managing editor of *The Christian Sun,* and the Central Publishing Company will print, mail and post an average weekly issue of three thousand (3,000) copies of *The Christian Sun,* of sixteen pages, size 11x14 inches trimmed, set in ten-point type, the advertising therein not to exceed an average of six pages per week, same to be printed on fifty-eight-pound machine book white paper.

Provided and upon condition that the said company shall have and receive, as and for full payment for its services and all expenses, the subscriptions to the said paper and all amounts received from advertisements appearing therein, and, in addition, the Southern Christian Convention shall pay $4,000.00 per year, payable in monthly installments, for 3,000 copies. All additional copies to be printed and mailed at rate of $2.20 per 100, and all revenue received from subscriptions above 3,000 shall be paid over to Convention.

It is further agreed and understood that the only other expense to be borne by the said Convention is the cost of editing *The Christian Sun.*

It is further agreed that this contract shall be, and remain, in force for a period of two years from and after July 1, 1926, unless said contract shall be

sooner terminated by the mutual consent of the Central Publishing Company and the Board of Publications of the Southern Christian Convention.

In case this contract should be terminated by mutual consent, or at the expiration of said contract, the subscription list, together with all unpaid subscriptions and accounts of *The Christian Sun,* shall become the property of the Southern Christian Convention.

CENTRAL PUBLISHING COMPANY, INC.,
By P. J. Kernodle, President.

BOARD OF PUBLICATIONS OF S. C. C.,
By L. L. Vaughan, Chairman.

We recommend that any vacancy in the editorial board be filled by the Board of Publications, subject to the approval of the Executive Board of the Convention.

We recommend that the Board of Publications, in connection with the managing editor, work out some plan for increasing subscriptions to *The Christian Sun,* and that the ministers and laymen of the Convention be asked to co-operate in making the plan adopted effective.

We recommend that the Secretary of the Convention serve as editor of THE CHRISTIAN ANNUAL; that the secretaries of Conferences be requested to send copy of proceedings to editor promptly; that the Board of Publications make contract for printing THE ANNUAL.

L. L. VAUGHAN, *Chairman,*
D. R. FONVILLE,
E. L. MOFFITT,
N. G. NEWMAN,
S. C. HARRELL,
P. H. FLEMING,
Board of Publications.

Report of P. J. Kernodle, Managing Editor, was read.

Report of Dr. J. O. Atkinson, Editor of *The Christian Sun,* was submitted and adopted, as follows:

REPORT OF EDITOR OF THE CHRISTIAN SUN.

THE CHRISTIAN SUN.

At the last session of the Southern Convention, a Board of Editors of *The Christian Sun* was elected, to-wit: J. O. Atkinson, editor, Elon College, N. C.; contributing editors—Dr. W. W. Staley, Suffolk, Va.; Dr. W. A. Harper, Elon College, N. C.; Rev. Stanley C. Harrell, Durham, N. C.; Dr. Roy C. Helfenstein, Dover, Del; news editor, Rev. Sion M. Lynam, Wadley, Ala.

At an early date after the Convention adjourned, the Board of Editors met at Elon College and decided upon the plan and method of work for the two years. This board has co-operated loyally and heartily in the work assigned them, and while the members of the board had many other duties they have sought to give the Church a paper reflecting the attitudes and activities and sentiments of the Church, in so far as they were able. Rev. H. S. Hardcastle, Suffolk, Va., was asked to contribute the comment on the Sunday School Lessons each week, and Chaplain H. E. Rountree, of the United States Navy, was asked to furnish a Family Altar page each week; Miss Madge Moffitt, of Burlington, was asked to edit a children's page, and Superintendent Charles D. Johnston, of the Orphanage, was asked to furnish and edit copy and reports pertaining to the Orphanage for *The Sun* each week.

All these have done their work unselfishly and without price or charges to the paper. It has been a genuine privilege and joy to be associated with these co-workers who have all performed their tasks constantly and efficiently. The editor is profoundly grateful for the services rendered. Moreover, our pastors and interested laymen have been advised that the columns of *The Sun* were

open to their contributions, Church news, and reports, and many have availed themselves of this privilege and helped to make the paper interesting and valuable.

PRINCIPLES AND GOVERNMENT.

After the adjournment of the last session of the Convention, there were turned over to the editor of *The Christian Sun,* to be deposited in the safety vault of Elon College Library, 307 copies of the "Principles and Government of the Christian Church," to be sold at 50 cents the copy. Of this number, 113 copies have been sold. Of this number 67 copies are charged on our books, having been sent out on orders, and 60 copies have been paid for at 50 cents per copy; total, $30.00. (As per instruction of the Convention, I have given a copy each to 14 ministerial students who made applications for same under the grant of the Convention.) I hand you herewith cashier's check for this amount. There remains on hand and unsold in the safety vault of Elon College Library 180 copies. There should be issued some copies in cheaper binding, as there is a constant, though not a vigorous, demand for these books.

Respectfully submitted,

J. O. ATKINSON,
Editor.

Report of W. E. McClenny, Historian, was submitted and adopted, as follows:

REPORT OF HISTORIAN.

To the Southern Christian Convention, in Session Assembled at Durham, N. C.:

Your Historian begs leave to submit the following report:

During the past two years not a great deal has been accomplished for the Convention, owing to the work done in other lines of research in which he has been engaged. The first thing that came up was the fact that Rev. James O'Kelly's "Testament" was located, giving several facts regarding the leader of the Christian Church that were not known before.

At the last session of the North Carolina and Virginia Christian Conference, held in Greensboro, N. C., there was one day set apart for the discussion of the historical phases of the Christian denomination in the State of North Carolina. Several valuable papers were prepared by leading ministers and laymen of the Church for that occasion, education in the Church being treated by Captain W. H. Turrentine and Dr. W. W. Staley, both being very valuable papers. One of these has since been published in *The Christian Sun.* A paper was prepared by your historian on the history of the Christians in North Carolina and central Virginia from the beginning of the Church in 1792 down to the present. In this, the history of each Conference that has played a part in the work of the denomination was traced out as best he could from the data to be found. Several other papers were prepared for this session bearing on the ministers, laymen and other phases of the Church in the State.

A typewritten copy of the minutes of the North Carolina and Virginia Christian Conference from 1828 to about 1859, and also a copy of the original minutes of the Eastern Virginia Christian Conference from 1817 to 1859, and several other historical manuscripts were sent to the library at Elon College, N. C., about January 1, 1926, to be bound and kept in the college library for the use of any one who cares to make any original research into the history of the Christian Church in the future. The original minutes of the North Carolina and Virginia Christian Conference were burned in the great fire, and it was only by chance that your Historian had three copies made of these in 1910 and saved two of these copies; the other was also burned in the same fire. These manuscripts were only loaned, and cannot be taken from the library.

In ransacking the old ANNUALS from 1873 down, he came across an account of the beginning of the colored Christian Conferences in the South, and it was found that the colored Christians in North Carolina, so far as known,

had the first Church body composed entirely of colored people in the United States. The white ministers of the Christians in North Carolina assisted them in the organization. A little later the colored Christians in Virginia were organized in a Conference at Mount Ararat, near Suffolk, Va., Revs. William B. Wellons, John N. Manning and others assisting them in the organization.

Some weeks ago an extract was published from "The Life of Rev. Isaac N. Walter," telling of an ordination service held in the Christian Church in Raleigh, N. C., and the ordaining of Isaac Scott, colored, who then expected to sail in a few months for Liberia, Africa, to preach to his kinsmen in that far-off land, but we have been able to find no record further about him or his work. It is not definitely known whether or not he went, and if he did go, whether he was aided by the Christians of North Carolina, yet the presumption is that he was helped by some one. This may be found out later.

Within the past few months, your Historian has endeavored to collect some data relative to the beginning of the Christian Church in Georgia and Alabama. A good many letters were written to the ministers in those Conferences. Some of these letters were returned undelivered; a few replied that they did not have the data at hand to send for this. Rev. S. L. Beougher, president of Bethlehem Christian College, Wadley, Ala., got together what he could and sent it, some of it being very valuable data. It was thought, with what is now known of the Christian Conferences in Virginia and North Carolina, and if as much could be collected about the work in the Georgia and Alabama Christian Conferences, we, as a Church, would be nearing the point where we would have the foundation for our history, so that it could be given to our people, in order that they might become better acquainted with our own Church; but that day seems some distance in the future as yet.

In looking up other things, we have been impressed several times with the bitterness that existed among Church people at the time the Christian Church began. These impressions are borne out by court records in old Church deeds and by the writings of men prominent in their Churches, and it often appeared that they were as much interested in the growth of their individual Church as they were in the saving of souls. We have in our possession a letter from a prominent churchman congratulating a Church of his faith for not allowing the use of their Church to another denomination to hold one service in it. In the vicinity of some of the early Christian Churches, other denominations would start a Church, but would be very careful to have it inserted in the deed that the building could only be used by ministers and members of their own denomination. All this goes to show that, since the Christian Church started, a great deal of the bitterness of the different Churches has died out, and it is believed that our Church has had its influence in bringing about the present condition.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

W. E. MACCLENNY.

Report of Committee on Finance was submitted by Judge J. F. West and, on motion, adopted, as follows:

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE.

We, the Committee on Finance, respectfully report as follows:

We have examined the report of Chas. D. Johnston, Executive Secretary of the Men and Millions Forward Movement, showing a balance in his hands of $69.37 as of April 1, 1926, and find the same to be correct.

We have examined the accounts of C. D. West, treasurer of Men and Millions Forward Movement, showing a balance to the credit of said fund as of April 27, 1926, of $402.98, and find same to be correct.

We have examined the report and accounts of W. C. Wicker, Treasurer of the Southern Christian Convention, showing a balance in his hands as of April 22, 1926, of $7,921.22, of which $3,000 is composed of superannuated fund bonds, and find same to be correct.

We recommend that the $215.38 shown in the report of the Treasurer as

interest collected on money in bank be placed to the credit of the Convention fund, and that all interest which may hereafter be collected on money in bank be placed to the credit of this same fund.

The attention of your committee has been called to a resolution passed by your Convention in 1918, in which the Convention fixed the salary of the Treasurer at $50.00 per year. No part of the salary has ever been paid, and your committee is allowing an account in favor of the Treasurer for $400.00 to cover his services for the past eight years.

Our attention has also been drawn to a resolution passed by the Convention in 1918, requiring that the Treasurer of the Convention be bonded in the sum of $10,000.00, with some guaranty company as surety, and that the premium on the bond be paid out of the Convention funds. We learned that no bond has ever been executed, and we recommend that the Treasurer secure a bond at once, in accordance with the foregoing resolution of the Convention in the sum of $10,000, and that the bond carry a rider which will protect the funds of the Convention against loss from the failure of the bank in which the Treasurer shall deposit the funds under his control. The premium for the rider, as well as the bond, to be paid out of the Convention funds in his hands.

Your committee recommends that Dr. I. W. Johnson, Secretary of the Convention, be allowed $50.00 for his services during the past two years; and that Mrs. Mary Andrews Rollings, Assistant Secretary of the Convention, be paid $25.00 for her services during the past two years; and we further recomment that their compensation be fixed at these amounts until otherwise ordered by the Convention.

Your committee regards it just as important to check receipts as disbursements, in checking up the accounts of persons handling funds belonging to the Convention. We, therefore, recommend that the Secretary of this Convention be instructed to prepare and have printed a sufficient number of official receipt books, which shall contain blank receipts and stubs in duplicate, numbered consecutively, and that he send all treasurers and secretaries and all other persons receiving money for any of the benevolences of the Convention with these receipt, requiring such persons receiving funds for any of the benevolences of the Convention to issue to any person or persons paying money to them an official receipt, retaining in his hands the duplicate stub attached to such receipt. All persons required to use the official receipt books shall return the stubs to each session of this Convention to be used by the committees of the Convention in checking up the various financial accounts of those handling funds belonging to the Convention.

The following bills have been approved by your committee:

W. C. Wicker, Treasurer, salary	$400.00
Dr. L. E. Smith, President of Convention, expense account	27.70
Central Publishing Company, Inc.	39.75
H. S. Hardcastle, maps, etc.	5.10
I. W. Johnson, Secretary, stationery	3.40
I. W. Johnson, Secretary, salary	50.00
Mrs. Mary Andrews Rollings, Ass't Sec'y, salary	25.00

Respectfully submitted,

J. F. WEST, *Chairman.*
J. A. WILLIAMS.
W. L. LEATHERS.

It was moved and carried that the Committee on Memorials to Rev. James O'Kelly and the Old Lebanon Site be directed to proceed to secure the funds for the erection of the proposed memorials in such a manner as they may think best.

The report of the Committee on Resolutions was submitted and, on motion, adopted, as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS.

We, your Committee on Resolutions, beg leave to report that we have had no matters referred to us for consideration; but would ask that a rising vote of thanks be given by this Convention to the pastor, to the Durham Christian Church, and friends, for their hospitality and excellent entertainment; to the choir for the beautiful music rendered; to the Press Committee, and to the newspapers for space given and good display in reporting the proceedings of the Convention.

P. H. FLEMING, *Chairman.*

It was moved and carried that the provision made in the report of the Special Committee on Finance concerning the Special Mission Fund, Standardization Fund, and the Men and Millions subscriptions become effective on July 1, 1926.

The following were elected members of the Board of Polity and Finance: L. E. Smith, I. W. Johnson, E. E. Holland, G. O. Lankford, K. B. Johnson, H. C. Simpson, R. A. Larrick, Mrs. H. S. Hardcastle, H. W. Elder.

Dr. W. A. Harper offered the following resolutions, which were adopted:

RESOLUTIONS.

Whereas, there is an evident lack of appreciation and loyalty to our Church on the part of so many of our members, and feeling that this lack of loyalty and appreciation is due to a lack of information as to the history, aims, and purposes of our Church; therefore, be it resolved:

1. That this Convention authorize the publication of a catechetical course to be taught in the lower grades of our Sunday Schools which will give the desired information regarding our Church, and that W. E. McClenny's "Life of James O'Kelly," together with an outlined course of study, be recommended for adult classes.

2. That all Convention institutions that are supported or partly supported by the Church be required to teach these courses according as their respective enrollment may require. If the institution does not have children in its enrollment, it would not be required to give the catechetical course.

3. That a course covering a quarter's work in our Church and Sunday Schools be prepared for instructing young people when they have joined the Churches or contemplate joining.

4. That this Convention do now appoint a committee to prepare such courses and arrange for their publication.

W. A. HARPER.

The Board of Publication was authorized to arrange for the work specified in the above report.

It was moved and carried that the President appoint a committee to arrange for a plan by which the delegates from the Southern Christian Convention may have a special car for making the trip to the next session of the General Convention which meets in Urbana, Ill., October, 1926. Committee: G. O. Lankford, W. A. Harper and C. D. Johnston.

The President appointed the following committees for the next biennium:

Evangelism—R. C. Helfenstein, C. H. Stephenson, J. H. Lightbourne, A. W. Andes, O. D. Poythress.

Social Service—H. S. Hardcastle, V. E. Kitchen, J. F. West, Jr., Frank Osborne, W. P. Lawrence.

Temperance—G. O. Lankford, W. W. Staley, C. H. Rowland, D. A. Long.

Education—W. A. Harper, W. W. Staley, E. L. Moffitt, J. G. Truitt, S. L. Beougher.

Catechism, etc.—Board of Publications.

Dr. J. O. Atkinson was elected Secretary of Stewardship.

Dr. C. H. Rowland was elected Secretary of Evangelism.

It was moved and carried that the minutes of today be read and approved by the Executive Board.

It was moved and carried that the Convention adjourn, to meet Tuesday before the first Sunday in May, 1928, at such hour and place as may be determined by the Executive Board.

Closing service in charge of Rev. Stanley C. Harrell. Prayer led by Dr. C. H. Rowland.

L. E. SMITH,
President.
DR. N. G. NEWMAN,
Vice-President.
I. W. JOHNSON,
Secretary.
MRS. J. S. ROLLINGS,
Assistant Secretary.

Proceedings of the Seventy-Eighth Annual Session of the Virginia Valley Central Christian Conference.

LINVILLE CHRISTIAN CHURCH,

AUGUST 18, 1926.

WEDNESDAY—MORNING SESSION.

The Seventy-eighth Annual Session of the Virginia Valley Central Christian Conference met, and was called to order at 10:15 A. M. by the President, Dr. W. T. Walters.

ENROLLMENT.

Ordained Ministers—W. T. Walters, A. W. Andes, R. P. Crumpler, Wm. M. Clem.

Churches and Delegates.

Antioch—W. C. Wampler, Floyd Showalter.
Bethel—Not represented.
Bethlehem—R. C. Myers, Mamie Summers.
Beulah—Not represented.
Christian Chapel—Not represented.
Concord—Not represented.
East Liberty—Not represented.
High Point—M. S. Crawford, Sigourney Crawford.
Island Ford—Not represented.
Joppa—Not represented.
Leaksville—Ben McDaniel, Lena Rothgeb.
Linville—L. S. Rhodes, J. A. Taylor.
Mayland—J. M. Lohr, Delia Spitzer.
Mt. Lebanon—Not represented.
Mt. Olivet (G)—Herbert Morris, E. S. Morris, Winona Morris, Celia Collier.
Mt. Olivet (R)—S. D. Harmon, W. K. Hensley.
New Hope—J. E. W. Bryant, Elmer Spitzer.
Newport—T. Z. Alger, Irvine Alger.
Palmyra—Samuel Rush.
St. Peter's—I. N. Dovel, C. W. McCoy.
Timber Mountain—Not represented.
Timber Ridge—Walton Brill, Lacie Brill.
Washington—Not represented.

Whistler's Chapel—Edgar Williams, John Dean.
Winchester—E. W. Cather, Mrs. E. W. Cather, Ruth Cather, J. A. Spaid.
Woods' Chapel—Not represented.

Welcome address by Rev. R. P. Crumpler.
Response by R. O. Rothgeb.

On motion, the following were invited to seats as deliberative members: Rev. J. W. Brill, of the U. B. Church at Singer's Glen; A. F. Chase, circulation manager of the *Herald of Gospel Liberty,* of Dayton, Ohio; Rev. A. R. Flowers, and Mrs. W. T. Walters.

The following Committee on Foreign Missions was appointed: Rev. A. R. Flowers, W. A. Crawford, J. K. Eppard.

REPORT OF PROGRAM COMMITTEE.

We, your Program Committee, report that we have arranged the program for this session of Conference, and have had 300 copies printed, at a cost of $3.50.

W. T. WALTERS,
A. W. ANDES,
Committee.

Adopted.

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

We, your Executive Committee, report that on March 28, 1925, we elected the following delegates to the Southern Christian Convention: R. P. Crumpler, W. T. Walters, D. B. Seal, A. W. Andes, R. A. Larrick, J. C. Bradford, W. C. Wampler, J. E. Foster, Roy Hosaflook, Verdie Showalter, Samuel Earman, Mrs. A. W. Andes, E. A. Hillyard, R. O. Rothgeb; alternates: E. W. Cather, Walter N. Oates, R. A. Burke, J. E. W. Bryant, C. W. Louderback, R. C. Myers, Floyd Showalter, J. Warner Stearn.

We designated March, 1926, as special mission month in our Conference.

W. T. WALTERS,
A. W. ANDES,
SAMUEL EARMAN,
Committee.

Adopted.

"What My Church Is Doing" was discussed by the delegates from the various Churches.

On motion, Treasurer was authorized to pay $3.50 for printing programs.

On motion, Secretary was instructed to record the unrecorded minutes of 1903 and 1904.

WEDNESDAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference called to order at 1:45 by President.
Annual address was delivered by J. E. Foster.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RELIGIOUS LITERATURE.

Realizing that people are reading the light, sensational things contained in the newspapers, neglecting the far more valuable reading that makes one think,

that helps to build character, and leads one to a knowledge of the saving power of God, we, therefore, recommend:

1. That the Word of God be read and studied prayerfully every day in every home.

2. That we use our influence to have the Bible read daily in the public schools.

3. That a special effort be made in every Church to see that *The Christian Sun* is in every home represented there, and that the circulation of the *Herald of Gospel Liberty,* the *Christian Missionary,* and the *Journal of Christian Education* be increased if possible.

4. That we use the literature published by our own denomination in our Sunday Schools.

MRS. PEARL HUFFMAN PAINTER,
N. M. HASLER,
Committee.

Adopted.

Addresses on "Our Publications," by A. F. Chase and Dr. J. O. Atkinson.

Special committees were appointed, as follows:

Nominations—J. C. Bradford, J. E. Foster, W. A. Crawford.

Place for Next Session—J. E. W. Bryant, T. Z. Alger, J. M. Lohr.

Finance—R. C. Myers, W. B. Burke, E. S. Morris.

Resolutions—Miss Mamie Summers, Mrs. Lena Rothgeb, Mrs. J. F. Louderback.

On motion, Dr. J. O. Atkinson and C. D. Johnston were invited to seats as deliberative members.

Adjourned, to meet tonight at 8 o'clock.

WEDNESDAY—EVENING SESSION.

Conference called to order at 8 o'clock. Prayer by J. E. W. Bryant.

C. D. Johnston, Superintendent of the Christian Orphanage, made a touching talk on the Orphanage.

Dr. J. O. Atkinson, Mission Secretary, made a stirring missionary address.

THURSDAY—MORNING SESSION.

Conference called to order at 9:45 by the President. Devotional services conducted by Rev. A. R. Flowers. Roll call and reading of minutes.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION.

In these days when so many young people are attending college we need to keep in mind that the end of all education is the development of character, and that any system of education that fails to produce a higher standard of citizenship is not meeting the needs of our day.

We reaffirm our faith in Elon College as an institution that fosters a high moral standard, having but one graduate in its thirty-six years of existence

who was not a member of the Church. The college deserves our financial support, and also our patronage.

We recommend that the name of Rev. Killis Roach be dropped from the roll of elders, he having failed to report to the Conference for several years either by letter or in person, and that he be requested to return his certificate of ordination to the Conference.

W. T. WALTERS,
R. P. CRUMPLER,
A. W. ANDES,
Committee.

Adopted.

An address was delivered by Dr. W. T. Walters on the advantage of sending our young people to Elon College.

An address by Dr. J. O. Atkinson dealt pointedly with the need of creating a spiritual atmosphere in the Church and home as a means through which God may call young men into the ministry.

On motion, Rev. and Mrs. W. Q. McKnight, returned missionaries from Japan, were invited to seats as deliberative members.

A. F. Chase made a timely talk on religious literature as a contributing factor in spiritual development.

Rev. W. Q. McKnight made an interesting address on Japan.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

There are many reasons why this Conference should become more intensely interested in foreign missions, some of which are as follows: (1) Christ commanded His disciples to preach the gospel in all the world; (2) a true Christian spirit prompts us to desire that all men be saved; (3) all men need the gospel we possess; (4) Christ can do for all men what He has done for us; (5) Christ's program for the Church of God is a world program.

Your committee recommends, therefore:

1. That the ministers of this Conference strive to develop in their own lives, and to emphasize in their ministry a greater spirit of missions. One great need of our Conference, we believe, is a greater missionary atmosphere. We urge the co-operation of both laymen and ministers in this creation of a greater missionary atmosphere.

2. That special foreign mission services be held in our Churches at least once a year, and an opportunity be given at these services for a special offering to foreign missions. Many of our congregations have probably never been asked to make an offering specifically to foreign missions. Why not give them a chance?

3. That the missionary program in our Churches include the teaching of foreign missions, not only to adults, but to young people, children, and even the cradle roll as well.

4. That each Church appoint a secretary of missions to assist the pastor in directing the entire missionary instruction of the Church; and that this secretary be assisted by a committee on missions, composed of a representative of each department of the Church.

5. That our Sunday Schools and Christian Endeavor Societies be provided with a foreign missionary program most adequate for raising funds for foreign missions in each local Sunday School.

6. That the "one-day school of missions" so successfully begun last year at the Mayland Church, on May 2nd, be continued each year under the joint auspices of the Conference Mission Secretary and the Woman's Board, thus giving our people a better opportunity to receive expert missionary instruction each year.

7. That we congratulate the Woman's Board on the splendid work these

women are doing, and that we pledge to them our heartiest co-operation, both as ministers and laymen, in carrying on this good work.

A. R. FLOWERS,
W. A. CRAWFORD,
Committee.

Report adopted.

Adjourned for dinner.

THURSDAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference called to order at 1:30 by the Vice-President. Devotional exercises conducted by D. H. Welch.

The financial plan of the Southern Christian Convention was discussed.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MORAL REFORM.

Knowing, as we do, that the antiprohibition forces are spending immense sums of money and resorting to subtle and prodigious propaganda in their sinister plans and assiduous efforts to bring about the repeal of the eighteenth amendment to our Federal Constitution, and to nullify our prohibition laws, we feel that it is high time for the entire Christian Church to speak out in no uncertain or unmistakable language as being emphatically and uncompromisingly in favor of a stricter adherence to and enforcement of our prohibition laws.

R. P. CRUMPLER,
W. A. CRAWFORD,
Committee.

Report adopted.

CONFERENCE MISSIONARY ASSOCIATION.

The session of the Conference Missionary Association was presided over by the President, W. C. Wampler. Roll called by the Secretary.

REPORT OF TREASURER.

The Treasurer reported the following amounts received in membership fees: Mrs. J. J. Lincoln, $5; James B. Morris, $5; Verdie Showalter, $2.50; Olive Showalter, $2.50; Sophia Byrd, $2.50; Mrs. R. A. Henton, $2.50; R. A. Henton, $5; Minnie Showalter, $2.50; J. O. Atkinson, $5; Mrs. Boyd Richards, $2.50; Antioch, $5; Ida E. Wampler, $2.50; Ladies' Bible Class, Timber Ridge, $2.50; Alice A. Lincoln, $2.50; Palmyra, $3; Mary Pickering, $5; Jessie Myers, $2.50; Adult Bible Class, Bethlehem, $2.50; Intermediate Class, New Hope, $5; W. T. Walters, $5; Mrs. W. T. Walters, $2.50; Dry Run, $5; Bethlehem, $10; O. W. Andes, $5; A. W. Andes, $5; Mrs. A. W. Andes, $2.50; Linville, $5; Emma J. Funk, $2.50; New Hope, $5; N. M. Hasler, $5; Ladies' Bible Class, New Hope, $5; Young People's Convention, $10; R. P. Crumpler, $5; Mrs. R. P. Crumpler, $2.50; Mrs. E. W. Cather, $2.50; Samuel Earman, $5; Mrs. Samuel Earman, $2.50; Roy Hosaflook, $5; Mrs. Roy Hosaflook, $2.50; Mrs. N. M. Hasler, $2.50; Young Ladies' Bible Class, Winchester, $2.50; W. T. Nicholson, 50c—total, $163.50.

On motion, report was adopted, and Treasurer authorized to pay over to Conference Treasurer the amount in hand.

Moved and carried that present officers be retained for another year.

On motion, the name of Callie Hillyard was dropped, according to her request.

By motion, the Association adjourned.

W. C. WAMPLER, *President.*
A. W. ANDES, *Secretary-Treasurer.*

THURSDAY—EVENING SESSION.

This session was in charge of the Woman's Mission Board. Miss Verdie Showalter, President of the Board, opened the service with Scripture reading. Rev. W. T. Walters led in prayer.

Rev. and Mrs. McKnight were the principal speakers, giving a description of manners and customs in Japan.

A short program was rendered by local talent of the Linville Church.

Mrs. W. T. Walters gave some practical illustrations of how to interest children in missions.

A special prayer was offered for Rev. R. P. Crumpler, who was struck by a car a few hours before. Rev. A. W. Andes led the prayer.

An offering was taken to apply on the expenses of the McKnights, which offering amounted to $20.50.

Mr. A. F. Chase pronounced the benediction.

Following is a brief report of the Woman's Missionary Conference, held at the Methodist Church, in Linville, on Thursday afternoon, during the sitting of the regular Conference:

The Superintendent of Women's Societies reported one new society organized at Bethlehem, with fifteen active members and one honorary member. Other societies at Leaksville, Linville, New Hope, and Winchester, with a total membership of 122. The Superintendent of Young People's Societies reported one new society organized at New Hope, and other societies at Antioch, Bethlehem, Concord, Mt. Olivet (R), Timber Ridge, and Winchester, with a total membership of 172. The Superintendents of Cradle Rolls had reports from Antioch, Bethlehem, Leaksville, Linville, Mayland and Winchester, with a total membership of 112. The Superintendent of Literature reported 76 copies of the *Christian Missionary* taken, 45 books and 655 tracts read during the year.

The Woman's Conference decided to place $75.00 in the Conference Missionary Association this year, $71.00 of which was pledged on the floor.

Rev. and Mrs. W. Q. McKnight were present, and spoke and sang to the delight of all. An offering was taken to help defray the expenses of the McKnights. Offering amounted to $8.20.

FRIDAY—MORNING SESSION.

Conference called to order at 9:40 by President. Devotional services conducted by Rev. W. M. Clem.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS AND CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR.

Whatever the future has for the Church is now held in childhood, and whatever childhood shall work out for us in the future will depend on the training of childhood.

Every Church enterprise is looking toward the Sunday School for future constituency and support, because the Sunday School is the best training place for our childhood for Church work.

For leadership training, Christian Endeavor has been a great help and will continue to be, for it stands for all that is best in the development of young Christians. It is a success everywhere when faithfully pushed, but, like all other organizations, it will die when neglected. Christian Endeavor is practical in the rural sections, and we need more societies in our Churches.

We feel that loyalty and a desire for information and instruction, so they will be better equipped to render more efficient service in their respective communities should cause all our Sunday Schools and Christian Endeavor Societies to send representatives to our own Chautauqua and School of Methods held at Elon College each year.

We urge that all our Sunday School officers and teachers and Christian Endeavor presidents make a special effort to attend our own Sunday School and Christian Endeavor Convention each year.

ROY A. LARRICK,
D. H. WELCH,
R. O. ROTHGEB,
Committee.

Adopted.

An address on mission work in Japan was made by Mrs. W. Q. McKnight.

REPORT OF CONFERENCE MISSION SECRETARY.

On the 28th day of last November, a one-day school of missions was held with the Mt. Olivet (R) Christian Church, there being six other Churches represented, namely: Antioch, Bethel, Leaksville, Linville, Bethlehem, Winchester.

Our Foreign Mission Secretary, Dr. W. P. Minton, was present and delivered two splendid addresses, giving in detail the work we are endeavoring to do on the foreign field.

Dr. J. O. Atkinson, Mission Secretary of the Southern Christian Convention, was also present, and delivered one of his usual good addresses on the great subject of missions.

We also wish to make mention of Rev. V. T. Crawford, from the Winchester Church, who spoke along the line of home mission work. Several other ministers were there taking some part on the program. In all, we feel that this was a great rally and that the interest in missions was greatly strengthened.

By arrangement, Dr. Minton spoke at three other Churches while in the Valley, viz.: Concord, Bethlehem, and Dry Run.

We believe that the interest in missions is steadily growing, and that we as a Church are beginning to realize that this is the supreme business of the Church.

We, therefore, urge that pastors, superintendents, teachers, and especially those who have the children under their care, keep the mission cause continually before them, realizing that the future progress of the Church depends on the proper training and educating the children.

Respectfully submitted,

R. O. ROTHGEB.

Adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS.

We, your committee, submit the following resolutions:

First. That we extend a rising vote of thanks to the pastor, members, and friends of the Linville Christian Church for their hospitable entertainment extended the members of this Conference.

Second. That we extend thanks and appreciation to the Program Committee, visiting pastors, and all who aided in arranging and executing the program.

Third. That each Sunday School in the bounds of the Conference give one Sunday's offering to missions and one to the Orphanage.

Fourth. That we as a Conference strive to live closer to God, that our lives may count for more in His service.

MAMIE SUMMERS,
E. LENA ROTHGEB,
MRS. J. F. LOUDERBACK,
Committee.

Adopted.

The following resolution was adopted:

That the President and Secretary of the Conference be instructed to mail a letter to each pastor, Church clerk, Sunday School superintendent and others, giving the Conference apportionment and benevolent budget for the local Church, and an explanation as to how the funds are credited, and also how they are distributed; and that each Church be requested to consider the apportionment and benevolence budget at its next quarterly meeting and take action on the same.

W. C. Wampler was elected to deliver the annual address next year. Rev. W. M. Clem elected alternate.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON APPORTIONMENTS.

We recommend that, in keeping with the new financial policy of the Southern Christian Convention, this Conference adopt as the goal of its benevolence budget the sum of $7,500. This sum to include all contributions to the Church enterprises except those sent through the regular Conference apportionments.

We recommend a 24 per cent increase over last year's apportionment. This will provide for the following amounts: home missions, $225; Church extension, $200; Conference fund, $150; foreign missions, $105; Convention missions, $105; publications, $300; Convention fund, $300; Orphanage, $150; Christian education, $60; Elon College, $300; superannuated fund, $180—total, $2,075.

We recommend the following apportionments on the Churches for next year: Antioch, $160; Mt. Olivet (G), $100; Palmyra, $44; Mt. Lebanon, $62; Linville, $164; Leaksville, $198; Timber Mountain, $34; Mt. Olivet (R), $40; Dry Run, $68; East Liberty, $32; Timber Ridge, $98; Bethlehem, $180; Winchester, $198; Whistler's Chapel, $32; Mayland, $77; Woods' Chapel, $44; Beulah, $18; Concord, $58; High Point, $26; Joppa, $28; New Hope, $124; Newport, $137; St. Peter's, $23; Washington, $50; Bethel, $40; Christian Chapel, $22; Island Ford, $22—total, $2,079.

R. C. MYERS,
J. E. FOSTER,
E. W. CATHER,
Committee.

Report adopted.

REPORT OF TREASURER.

HOME MISSIONS.

Cash on hand	$ 652.32
Conference Missionary Association	163.50
Conference collections	180.17
Total amount received	$ 995.99

Paid R. P. Crumpler	$150.00	
Treasurer's commission	3.44	
		153.44
Balance on hand		$ 842.55

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Cash on hand	$ 239.89
Conference collections	240.28
Total amount received	$ 480.17

Paid W. C. Wicker, Treasurer	$240.00	
Treasurer's commission	2.40	
		242.40
Balance on hand		$ 237.77

CONVENTION MISSIONS.

Cash on hand	$ 241.20
Conference collections	240.28
Total amount received	$ 481.48

Paid W. C. Wicker, Treasurer	$ 240.00	
Treasurer's commission	2.40	
		242.40
Balance on hand		$ 239.08

CHURCH EXTENSION.

Cash on hand	$ 145.63
Conference collections	160.18
Total amount received	$ 305.81
Treasurer's commission	1.60
Balance on hand	$ 304.21

ELON COLLEGE FUND.

Cash on hand	$ 240.12
Conference collections	240.28
Total amount received	$ 480.40

Paid W. C. Wicker	$240.00	
Treasurer's commission	2.40	
		242.40
Balance on hand		$ 238.00

SUPERANNUATED FUND.

Cash on hand	$ 107.52
Conference collections	100.08
Total amount received	$ 207.60

Paid W. C. Wicker, Treasurer	$105.00	
Treasurer's commission	1.00	
		106.00
Balance on hand		$ 101.60

CONFERENCE FUND.

Cash on hand		$ 90.23
Conference collections		120.21
Received on ANNUALS		25.75
Total amount received		$ 236.19
Paid A. W. Andes, Secretary	$ 20.00	
Paid for printing programs	4.30	
Paid Central Publishing Co.	75.00	
Treasurer's commission	1.46	
		100.76
Balance on hand		$ 135.43

CONVENTION FUND.

Cash on hand		$ 62.60
Conference collections		60.10
Total amount received		$ 122.70
Paid W. C. Wicker, Treasurer	$ 60.00	
Treasurer's commission	.60	
		60.60
Balance on hand		$ 62.10

TOTALS BROUGHT FORWARD.

Home Missions	$ 842.55
Foreign Missions	237.77
Convention Missions	239.08
Church Extension	304.21
Elon College Fund	238.00
Superannuated Fund	101.60
Conference Fund	135.43
Convention Fund	62.10
Grand total	$2,160.74

SAMUEL EARMAN,
Treasurer.

By motion, the report was referred to the Finance Committee. Adjourned for dinner.

FRIDAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference called to order at 1:45 by President. Prayer by W. A. Crawford.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS.

We, your Committee on Nominations, report the following names as officers of the Conference: W. T. Walters, President; W. C. Wampler, Vice-President; A. W. Andes, Secretary; Samuel Earman, Treasurer; Director of Religious Education, Roy A. Larrick; Conference Mission Secretary, R. O. Rothgeb.

Officers of the Woman's Mission Board: Miss Verdie Showalter, President; Miss Ora Scott, Vice-President; Mrs. B. F. Frank, Secretary; Mrs. Lucile Louderback, Treasurer; Miss Ella Pickering, Superintendent of Literature and

Mite Boxes; Mrs. R. C. Myers, Superintendent of Women's Societies; Mrs. A. W. Andes, Superintendent of Young People's Societies; Mrs. Pearl Painter, Superintendent of Cradle Roll.

J. C. BRADFORD,
J. E. FOSTER,
W. A. CRAWFORD,
Committee.

Adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON HOME MISSIONS.

We recommend the following appropriations for the ensuing year: $150 for Mt. Olivet (R) and $100 for Beulah, to be paid quarterly, provided they are supplied by a pastor, approved by the committee; and that $30 be paid Rev. A. W. Andes for service at Timber Mountain for the past several years; that further distribution of home mission funds be left in the hands of the Executive and Home Mission Committees.

SAMUEL EARMAN,
J. C. BRADFORD,
W. C. WAMPLER,
Committee.

Adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

We, your committee, find the Treasurer's report correct.

R. C. MYERS,
E. F. SHOWALTER,
L. RUSSEL CATHER,
Committee.

Report adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE TO SELECT PLACE FOR NEXT SESSION.

We, your Committee on receiving invitations for Conference next year, report that we have received invitations from Leaksville and Concord. The committee asks that it be sent to Leaksville.

J. E. W. BRYANT,
J. M. LOHR,
Committee.

Adopted.

Moved and carried that Conference be held next year on Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday before the third Sunday in August.

Moved and carried that we have our minutes printed in THE ANNUAL and buy 150 copies and sell them at half price.

On motion, Treasurer was authorized to pay Secretary $20.00 for services.

Moved and carried that President be instructed to draw orders on Treasurer for such moneys as are to be paid out. Church reports and ministerial reports were read.

Standing committees were announced as follows:

Executive Committee—W. T. Walters, A. W. Andes, Samuel Earman.

Home Missions—Samuel Earman, J. C. Bradford, W. C. Wampler.

Foreign Missions—Miss Verdie Showalter, C. W. Louderback, W. A. Crawford.

Sunday Schools and Christian Endeavor—R. A. Larrick, R. O. Rothgeb, R. Roy Hosaflook.

Moral Reform—R. P. Crumpler, E. S. Morris, Mrs. R. C. Myers.
Religious Literature—Mrs. A. W. Andes, Floyd Showalter, J. E. W. Bryant.
Apportionments—R. C. Myers, J. E. Foster, E. W. Cather.
Education—W. T. Walters, A. W. Andes, R. P. Crumpler.

An address was given by Rev. W. Q. McKnight.

Moved and carried that the matter of securing pastors for the pastorless Churches be left in the hands of the Executive and Home Mission Committees.

By motion, the Treasurer was authorized to pay President $10.00 for traveling expenses and services rendered the Conference. Amended to pay him $15.00 instead of $10.00.

Minutes of today were read and approved.

On motion, Conference adjourned to meet at Leaksville on Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday before the third Sunday in August, 1927.

W. T. WALTERS, *President.*
A. W. ANDES, *Secretary.*

BANNER CHURCHES.

The following Churches having paid all Conference apportionments in full are enrolled as—

Banner Churches—Antioch, Bethlehem, Concord, Dry Run, High Point, Leaksville, Mayland, Newport, Timber Mountain, Timber Ridge, Whistler's Chapel, Winchester.

MINISTERIAL REPORTS.

A. W. Andes—Churches: Bethlehem, Concord, Mayland, Timber Ridge, Timber Mountain, Leaksville, Newport. Sermons, 241; addresses, 13; conversions, 56; baptisms, 43; members received, 67; pastoral visits, 900; marriages, 4; funerals, 24. Salary, $1,868.69.

R. P. Crumpler—Churches: Antioch, Linville, Mt. Olivet (R). Sermons, 88; addresses, 9; conversions, 55; baptisms, 38; members received, 56; pastoral visits, 675; marriage, 1; funerals, 8. Salary, $1,028.10.

Wm. M. Clem—No charge. Student.

D. B. Seal—Churches: High Point, Bethel, Island Ford, St. Peter's, Sandy Bottom. Sermons, 237; addresses, 59; conversions, 57; baptisms, 31; members received, 32; pastoral visits, 664; marriages, 13; funerals, 14. Salary, $332.35.

L. R. Townsend—No charge. Worked among Chinese in Washington, D. C.

W. T. Walters—Served as field secretary of Elon College. Sermons, 95; addresses, 65; marriage, 1.

Virginia Valley Central Conference—Church Statistics.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	SECRETARIES AND ADDRESSES.	Members Reported Last Year.	Present Membership.	Conference Apportionments.	Amount Paid on Apportionments.	Home and Foreign Missions.	All Other Benevolences.	Paid on Pastor's Salary.	Amount Spent on Building.	All Other Expenses.	TOTAL.	Value of Church Property.
Antioch*†	R. P. Crumpler...	R. J. Wampler Harrisonburg, Va.....	102	98	$ 115.00	$ 130.00	$ 227.75	.....	$ 357.00	.....	$ 76.25	$ 791.00	$ 3,000
Bethlehem†‡	A. W. Andes.....	Miss Ella Pickering, Broadway, Va....	109	122	140.00	140.00	43.00	.....	225.00	.....	50.74	458.74	2,000
Christian Chapel	.....	Kirtley Shiflett, Boonesville, Va.....	88	88	18.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	700
Concord†‡	A. W. Andes.....	J. C. Huffman, Timberville, Va.....	71	82	47.00	47.00	15.25	.....	120.10	.....	20.95	203.30	800
Dry Run	D. B. Seal.....	W. B. Burke, Seven Fountains, Va....	87	85	55.00	55.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	50.00	105.00	5,000
East Liberty	.....	R. D. Donel, Stanley, Va.....	39	39	25.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	500
High Point	D. B. Seal.....	A. J. Roach, Swift Run, Va.....	126	121	18.00	18.00	.....	.....	75.00	.....	2.00	95.00	200
Joppa	D. B. Seal.....	Miss Susie Duncan, Edith, Va.....	43	43	23.00	9.15	.....	.....	.....	.....	1.85	11.00	700
Leaksville†‡	A. W. Andes.....	R. O. Rothgeb, Luray, Va.....	150	154	160.00	165.95	116.90	.....	411.60	.....	60.00	754.45	2,500
Linville*†‡	R. P. Crumpler...	Miss Sallie Payne, Harrisonburg, Va...	145	146	165.00	145.00	124.03	$ 16 65	350.00	$ 129.00	238.95	1,003.63	2,000
Mayland	A. W. Andes.....	Walter A. Spitzer, Broadway, Va.....	76	74	60.00	62.50	22.75	18.00	201.63	.....	20.50	325.38	1,500
Mt. Lebanon	.....	I. N. Comer, Shenandoah, Va.....	95	92	50.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	800
Mt. Olivet (G.)	.....	E. S. Morris, March, Va.....	126	113	85.00	50.00	10.87	6.37	.....	.....	.....	67.24	4,000
Mt. Olivet (R.)	R. P. Crumpler...	Miss Ethel Lam, Elkton, Va.....	50	100	31.00	30.28	.....	.....	100.00	.....	.....	130.28	1,200
New Hope*†	.....	Miss Tracie Lisky, Harrisonburg, Va..	87	66	100.00	50.00	.....	6.00	.....	.....	78.00	134.00	1,200
Newport‡	A W. Andes.....	E. L. Lauderback, Stanley, Va.....	161	171	110.00	110.00	43.31	19.69	264.57	213.63	20.42	671.62	2,000
Palmyra	D. B. Seal.....	Miss Retta Rush, Edinburg, Va.....	110	105	36.00	11.00	3.00	.....	.....	.....	27.13	41.13	1,300
St. Peter's	D. B. Seal.....	Mrs. C. W. McCoy, Elkton, Va.....	35	35	18.00	8.00	.....	.....	48.27	.....	.....	56.27	800
Timber Mount‡	A. W. Andes.....	J. H. Park, Capon Bridge, W. Va.....	56	61	25.00	25.00	.....	.....	101.20	.....	.56	126.76	.....
Timber Ridge†‡	A. W. Andes.....	J. E. Eaton, Gore, Va.....	210	210	75.00	92.45	96.71	.....	514 59	.....	85.03	788.78	6,000
Whistler's Chapel†‡	.....	John C. Dean, Quicksburg, Va.....	58	58	25.00	25.00	.....	7.00	10.00	.....	.....	42.00	.....
Winchester*†‡	.....	R. A. Larrick, Winchester, Va.....	218	218	155.00	155.00	.....	37.85	718.35	466.38	298.36	1,675.94	38,000
Wood's Chapel	.....	Elmer Shaffer, Mt. Jackson, Va.....	87	87	35.00	13.75	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	13.75	500
Totals	.....	.....	2331	2368	$1670.00	$1343.08	$ 703.57	$ 111.56	$3497.31	$ 809.01	$1030.74	$ 7,495.27	$ 74,700

*Church has parsonage. †Church has Missionary Society. ‡Church has Christian Endeavor Society.

Virginia Valley Central Conference—Sunday School Statistics.

SUNDAY SCHOOL.	NAME AND ADDRESS OF SUPERINTENDENT.	No. Officers and Teachers.	No. on Cradle Roll.	No. in Home Department.	Total Enrollment.	Amount Raised for Missions.	Amount Raised for Orphanage	Total Raised During Year.
Antioch	Floyd Showalter, Harrisonburg, Va.	8	21	5	97	$ 86.06	$ 128.89	$ 311.06
Bethlehem	D. H. Welch, Broadway, Va.	13	10	10	147	22.78	20.30	129.19
Concord	V. T. Huffman, Timberville, Va.	10	11	....	112	.....	23.45	58.37
Dry Run	W. B. Burke, Seven Fountains, Va.	8	38	18	111	25.56	45.40	121.34
High Point	Thomas Crawford, Swift Run, Va.	10	....	....	70	.....	4.55	19.26
Leaksville	B. F. McDaniel, Luray, Va.	12	14	....	87	24.26	45.63	122.00
Linville	Roy Hosaflook, Linville, Va.	14	38	6	194	56.50	61.54	282.32
Mayland	M. L. Spitzer, Broadway, Va.	7	12	11	70	.....	10.00	60.00
Mt. Lebanon	.....	2	....	....	57	.....	.....	5.00
Mt. Olivet (G)	A Vernon,, Dyke, Va.	20	6	10	154	.....	.....	77.92
Mt. Olivet (R)	B. C. Shifflett, Elkton, Va.	10	....	....	185	.....	.....	100.00
New Hope	N. M. Hasler, Harrisonburg, Va.	9	20	5	90	24.15	42.05	215.44
Newport	Grover Stoneberger, Stanley, Va.	9	....	....	81	.....	.....	43.42
Palmyra	Lee Carper, Edinburg, Va.	8	15	....	45	.....	15.37	34.47
St. Peter's	Eugene Dovel, Shenandoah, Va.	8	....	....	107	.....	.....	13.39
Timber Ridge	Walton Brill, Hooks Mill, W. Va.	14	20	....	142	18.97	57.97	164.24
Whistler's Chapel	A. N. Green, Quicksburg, Va.	5	....	....	36	.....	.....	35.00
Winchester	Nelson Richards, Winchester, Va.	16	21	16	156	72.88	75.66	362.72
Totals	.....	183	226	81	1,941	$ 331.16	$ 530.81	$ 2,155.14

Proceedings of the One Hundred and Sixth Annual Session of Eastern Virginia Christian Conference.

HELD AT WEBSTER COMMUNITY CHRISTIAN CHURCH,
HAVRE DE GRACE, MD., NOVEMBER 2-4, 1926.

The delegates and visitors to the Conference were entertained by a welcome service at 7:30 o'clock Monday evening, in charge of Rev. W. R. Sutcliffe, assistant pastor. A missionary pageant, "How Aunt Tillie Learned to Tithe," was given by the members of the Christian Church. Devotional service by Rev. H. S. Hardcastle.

FIRST DAY—MORNING SESSION.

The Eastern Virginia Christian Conference met in its One Hundred and Sixth Annual Session at 9:30 o'clock, and was called to order by Rev. W. D. Harward, D. D., President. Song service conducted by Rev. O. D. Poythress. Prayer led by Dr. W. H. Denison.

The roll was called, and the following ministers and laymen were enrolled during the Conference:

Ministers—Revs. Elisha Bradshaw, G. C. Crutchfield, W. H. Denison, B. J. Earp, W. H. Garman, H. S. Hardcastle, W. D. Harward, R. C. Helfenstein, I. W. Johnson, F. C. Lester, J. H. Lightbourne, N. G. Newman, O. D. Poythress, G. A. Pearce, J. F. Morgan, M. W. Sutcliffe, W. R. Sutcliffe, W. W. Staley, L. E. Smith, R. S. Stephens, J. G. Truitt, C. C. Ryan.

Churches and Lay Delegates.

Antioch—Mrs. W. E. Garrison, Mrs. P. C. Bradshaw.
Barretts—Miss Viola Rollings.
Berea (Nansemond)—R. B. Odom, Mrs. R. B. Odom, A. S. Hargroves, Mrs. Herbert Harrell.
Berea (Norfolk)—M. W. Hollowell.
Bethlehem—Clarence Griggs.
Burton's Grove—Miss Louise Pittman.
Centerville—
Christian Temple—Mrs. W. H. Martin, M. J. W. White, Mrs. M. J. W. White, Mrs. Logan McCloud.
Cypress Chapel—
Damascus—
Dendron—
Elm Avenue—

Eure—
First, Norfolk (Berkley)—Mrs. B. F. Morgan, Mrs. A. L. Barrett.
First, Richmond—Mrs. Dora C. Pierce, Mrs. Annie M. Brown.
First, Portsmouth—Mrs. S. P. Gort, Miss Caroline Gort, Mrs. C. J. Heath, Mrs. C. F. Rudd, Mrs. J. F. Brothers.
Franklin—E. L. Beale, Mrs. G. I. Earnest, Mrs. L. B. Norfleet, W. H. Jones.
Hobson—
Holland—E. L. Daughtrey, J. M. Fanny, A. L. Jolly.
Holy Neck—R. C. Norfleet, J. E. March, J. T. Rawles.
Isle of Wight—
Ivor—C. E. Joyner.
Johnson's Grove—
Liberty Spring—I. T. Byrd, R. E. Rodgers.
Mt. Carmel—
Mt. Zion—
New Lebanon—
Newport News—
Ocean View—
Old Zion—Mrs. W. H. Garman.
Oak Grove—
Oakland—
People's, Dover—Mr. and Mrs. James B. Keith, Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Massey, Mrs. Mary H. Lasher, John S. Collins, L. C. Smith.
Rosemont—O. F. Smith, Mrs. O. F. Smith.
Suffolk—Mrs. I. W. Johnson, Mrs. W. H. Andrews, J. E. West, Mrs. Annie Staley Calhoun.
Sarem—
South Norfolk—Miss Mabel Humphries, Miss Alice Humphries, Miss Gladys Hanbury, Miss Minnie Hall.
Spring Hill—
Union (Southampton)—
Union (Surry)—R. E. Brittle.
Wakefield—A. H. Spivey.
Waverly—B. E. White, Mrs. B. E. White.
Windsor—Mrs. W. D. Harward.
Webster—P. M. Spencer, W. D. Craig, S. W. Anderson, J. C. Moulton, C. Dennis, W. W. Walker, Isaac Stewart.

The report of the Committee on Program was submitted and adopted, subject to change by the Conference.

The report of the Executive Committee was submitted by Dr. W. D. Harward, chairman, and, on motion, adopted as follows:

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

Acting under instructions received at our last Conference, with reference to disposing of the old Christian Church property, Emporia, Va., we got a decree

of court, acting under the advice and help of Judge J. F. West, of Waverly, Va., and had the property sold at auction on April 26, 1926. The Church and lot brought five hundred and thirty dollars ($530.00). There was an expense of $21.50, leaving a balance of $508.50, which has been turned into the home mission fund of the Conference.

On December 21, 1925, by a vote of your committee, Rev. R. W. Sutcliffe was received into the Conference as an elder upon recommendation from the Educational Committee of our Conference.

On March 22, 1926, acting on the recommendation of the Committee on Education, your committee provided for the ordination of Rev. G. A. Pearce, who came to us from the Eastern North Carolina Christian Conference. Ordaining presbytery: Revs. W. D. Harward, W. W. Staley, and L. E. Smith.

Respectfully submitted,
W. D. HARWARD.
I. W. JOHNSON.
L. E. SMITH.

Rev. H. C. Caviness, President of the Eastern North Carolina Christian Conference, was introduced to the Conference.

Prayer by Rev. H. C. Caviness.

Address by Dr. W. D. Harward, President; theme, "Having to Give."

The President appointed the following special committees for this session:

Nominations—J. G. Truitt, M. J. W. White, Mrs. W. H. Andrews, M. W. Sutcliffe, J. S. Collins.
Finance—A. L. Jolly, J. F. Brothers, W. H. Jones.
Resolutions—R. C. Helfenstein, O. D. Poythress, G. A. Pearce, Mrs. L. E. Smith.
Press—J. H. Lightbourne, Miss H. E. Corley.
Place for Next Session—W. H. Garman, A. S. Hargroves, M. W. Hollowell.
Collectors—R. C. Norfleet, B. E. White, E. L. Beale.
Apportionments—J. H. Lightbourne, W. W. Staley, R. B. Odom, J. T. Rawles, I. T. Boyd.

It was moved and carried that the ministers be requested to read the proceedings of the Conference.

Report of President of C. M. A. was read and adopted, as follows:

REPORT OF THE CHRISTIAN MISSIONARY ASSOCIATION.

The Christian Missionary Association can report good health and high hopes. It has never accomplished any great thing, and perhaps was not organized with any thought that it should. But it can lay claim to having done a small work well.

The 1925 session of the association was held at the Oakland Christian Church, Nansemond County, Va. The session was well attended, the program was attractive, and the financial result was gratifying. The 1926 session will be held with our new Church at South Norfolk, Va.

The association is purely a financial organization, its membership being secured on a basis of membership dues of ten dollars for men and adult organizations and five dollars for women, children and children's organizations.

Since 1914 the following sums have been received at the annual sessions of the association:

1914....$1,085.00	1918....$1,670.00	1922....$1,455.00
1915.... 1,144.00	1919.... 1,343.00	1923.... 1,450.00
1916.... 1,015.00	1920.... 1,990.00	1924.... 2,145.00
1917.... 1,501.00	1921.... 2,195.00	1925.... 2,231.00

The collection of the last session indicates the intensive promotional efforts for 1924 bore a two-year fruitage, and it is our hope its results will be permanent.

Since the association has suggested that a C. M. A. Sunday be observed annually by the Churches of our Conference, we, therefore, petition the Conference to designate and observe the third Sunday of November as C. M. A. Sunday.

And we recommend:

First. That, on C. M. A. Sunday, the ministers of our Conference preach on some phase of Church extension and seek to secure memberships for the C. M. A.

Second. That it is the conviction of this Conference that each and every Church of the Conference should be represented in the C. M. A. by at least one full membership.

J. H. LIGHTBOURNE,
President C. M. A.

Report of the Committee on Christian Education was read by Rev. J. H. Lightbourne, chairman, and adopted, as follows:

REPORT ON CHRISTIAN EDUCATION.

Since the Convention of Sunday Schools and Christian Endeavor Societies is the Eastern Virginia Christian Conference at work in the field of Christian education, your Committee on Christian Education will present as its report a resumee of the activities and objectives of the Convention as revealed by the minutes of its 1926 session.

The said session of the Convention was held with the Waverly Christian Church, Waverly, Va., and was perhaps as representatively attended as any session of the last decade. The program provided both inspirational and constructive elements, and some Conference work was realized.

The Convention is organized to give emphasis to the major interests of the educational program, and it now has a very efficient and consecrated staff of departmental secretaries. These secretaries have not clearly defined duties as yet, but it would appear the field of each is under process of development, the development being determined very largely by the interest and initiative of the secretaries.

It has been the policy of the Convention to co-operate fully with the Board of Religious Education of the Southern Christian Convention, and it has given liberally of its treasury to the support of the board. There is a growing sentiment in the Convention to the effect that all of its funds should be used for educational purposes.

Christian education remains undefined in the minds of many of our people, and, consequently, fails to secure from them the moral and financial support it deserves, and must have, if it is to become the foundation of a vital and effective department of our Conference work.

In the five-year period, 1920-1926, the Sunday School Department of our educational work has experienced a consistent development; the enrollment has increased 3,123, the Convention dues $200, the missionary offerings more than $500, and the Orphanage gifts more than $1,000. Comparisons with last year indicate for this year increases comparable with those of the five-year period.

The Department of Christian Endeavor has also experienced growth over this five-year period, but the data relative to the work of this department are so

difficult to obtain it is practically impossible to enter into comparisons. The Convention Department of Christian Endeavor has been and is now ably officered, but it is difficult for the department to receive a sympathetic reception from our Churches.

A very heartening phase of our educational work is the interest manifested all over the territory of the Convention in more adequate equipment through remodeled or new plants. The day is not far distant when every Church of our Convention will have an improved and modern educational plant.

During the year Rev. J. G. Truitt was appointed Conference Director of Christian Education, to succeed Rev. J. H. Lightbourne. The director is the representative in the Conference of the Board of Religious Education and renders valuable service.

We recommend:

First. That the Conference give to the Board of Religious Education the suggested 5 per cent of the apportionment funds.

Second. That the Churches of the Conference which did not receive the September offering for Christian education be urged to promote and receive the offering before January 1st.

Third. That our Churches be urged to co-operate with and to make use of the Board of Religious Education of the Southern Christian Convention.

Fourth. That our Churches be urged to co-operate with and make use of the Conference Convention of Sunday Schools and Christian Endeavor Societies.

B. J. EARP.
J. H. LIGHTBOURNE.

Devotional half-hour led by Rev. H. S. Hardcastle; theme, "Sacrifice."

Report of Committee on Memoirs was read by Dr. N. G. Newman, chairman, and adopted, as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MEMOIRS.

Your committee is grateful to report that no deaths have occurred during the Conference year among our ministers or officials.

N. G. NEWMAN, *Chairman.*

Communion service conducted by Dr. W. W. Staley, assisted by Rev. M. W. Sutcliffe.

Conference adjourned for dinner. Benediction by Dr. L. E. Smith.

FIRST DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

Called to order at 2 o'clock. Prayer led by Dr. R. C. Helfenstein.

The report of Mr. H. Woodward, Treasurer, was read by the Secretary and referred to the Committee on Finance and adopted, as follows:

REPORT OF TREASURER.

CONVENTION MISSION FUND.

1925. Oct. 27.	Balance reported	$ 3.94
Nov. 2.	Conference collection	1,180.00
		$1,183.94
1926. Oct. 27.	Paid Secretary's draft	1,180.00
31.	Balance on hand	$ 3.94

1925.		CONVENTION FUND.	
Oct. 27.	Balance reported		$ 2.62
Nov. 2.	Conference collection		790.00
			$ 792.62
1926.			
Oct. 27.	Paid Secretary's draft		790.00
31.	Balance on hand		$ 2.62
1925.		CONFERENCE FUND.	
Oct. 27.	Balance reported		$ 89.20
Nov. 2.	Conference collection		620.00
			$ 709.20
1926.			
Oct. 27.	Paid sundry Secretary's drafts		650.00
31.	Balance on hand		$ 59.20
1925.		EDUCATIONAL FUND.	
Oct. 27.	Balance reported		$1,444.27
Nov. 2.	Conference collection		303.05
1926.			
Aug. 25.	Elon College coupons		360.00
30.	Elon College coupons, interest to Sept. 1st		60.00
			$2,167.32
Oct. 27.	Paid Secretary's draft		100.00
31.	Balance on hand		$2,067.32
1925.		ELON COLLEGE FUND.	
Nov. 2.	Conference collection		$1,575.00
1926.			
Oct. 27.	Paid Secretary's draft		1,575.00
1925.		FOREIGN MISSION FUND.	
Oct. 27.	Balance reported		$ 5.25
Nov. 2.	Conference collection		1,575.00
			$1,580.25
1926.			
Oct. 27.	Paid Secretary's draft		1,575.00
31.	Balance on hand		$ 5.25
1925.		HOME MISSION FUND.	
Oct. 27.	Balance reported		$ 55.75
Nov. 2.	Conference collection		1,575.00
			$1,630.75
1926.			
Oct. 27.	Paid Secretary's draft	$ 100.00	
	Paid Secretary's draft	1,000.00	
	Paid Secretary's draft	500.00	
			1,600.00
	Balance on hand		$ 30.75
1925.		SUPERANNUATED FUND.	
Nov. 2.	Conference collection		$ 390.00
1926.			
Oct. 27.	Paid Secretary's draft		390.00

RECAPITULATION.

Funds.	Bal. 1925.	Receipts.	Disbursed.	Bal. 1926.
Conference mission	$ 3.94	$1,180.00	$1,180.00	$ 3.94
Convention	2.62	790.00	790.00	2.62
Conference	89.20	620.00	650.00	59.20
Educational	1,444.27	723.05	100.00	2,067.32
Elon College	.....	1,575.00	1,575.00	.....
Foreign missions	5.25	1,575.00	1,575.00	5.25
Home missions	55.75	1,575.00	1,670.00	30.75
Superannuated	.....	390.00	390.00	.....
Totals	$1,601.03	$8,428.05	$7,860.00	$2,169.08

Proof.

Balances October 27, 1925	$1,601.03	
Total receipts	8,428.05	
		$10,029.08
Disbursed	$7,860.00	
Balances October 31, 1926	2,169.08	
		$10,029.08

Schedule—Bonds and Bills Receivable.

Elon College bonds—in educational fund	$6,000.00

Individual Notes.

C. W. Rountree	$ 400.00	
J. W. Barrett	365.00	
J. Cleveland Barrett	270.00	
H. C. Haines	400.00	
		1,435.00
Total		$7,435.00

Suffolk, Va., October 31, 1926.

Passbook, vouchers, and above-listed securities have been exhibited to the Conference Secretary, and are held in the vault of the Farmers Bank of Nansemond, Suffolk, Va., subject to the order of the Conference.

Respectfully submitted,

H. WOODWARD,
Treasurer.

Suffolk, Va., October 31, 1926.

At the request of Mr. H. Woodward, Treasurer, Eastern Virginia Christian Conference, I beg to hereby certify that he has on deposit in the Farmers Bank of Nansemond, Suffolk, Va., the balances as shown by this report to the credit of the several funds; total, $2,169.08. He has also exhibited to me $6,000.00 in Elon College bonds.

(Signed in duplicate.)

J. L. LITTLE, *Auditor,*
The Farmers Bank of Nansemond.

The report of the Committee on Foreign Missions was read by Rev. J. F. Morgan, chairman, and adopted, as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

In looking back over the history of this Conference, we find that only two missionaries—Rev. and Mrs. D. P. Barrett—have gone out from any Church of the Conference to any foreign land to hold up the banner of the cross and to make known our Lord to those who know Him not. We have been interested in giving the gospel to those at home, and thus have built up a strong Conference of some ten thousand members, and a large percentage of these have

much of this world's goods, that have come to them because of the benefits of the gospel, while the great outside world, in fields afar, has millions of souls who have never had an opportunity to hear the gospel and who, on this account, are perishing without a knowledge of our Lord.

It seems to your committee that this Conference needs to take more seriously the great commission, and to undertake in a more adequate manner the carrying out of the program of our Lord.

Your committee would recommend, therefore:

1. A deeper concern for missions by praying more devoutly for those without the gospel; by keeping the needs and conditions of the foreign lands in the minds and hearts of our young people in the Sunday School and other young people's societies, and in praying the Lord of the harvest that He send forth laborers into His harvest.

2. That our Sunday Schools not only give an offering once a month to missions, but that, in each school, on the Sunday the offering is taken, some missionary program, brief and practical, be put on before the whole school.

3. That the Churches give their aid in organizing and keeping alive the Woman's Missionary Societies, and the young people's missionary organizations, and that an effort be made to organize men's missionary societies or clubs as well, in order that the men of the Church may be better informed along the line of missions.

4. That the pastors of the Conference seek to bring the burden of missions home to the hearts of their hearers in their congregations, and that in every possible way the task of the Church of making Jesus known to all the world be kept prominent in all our services.

J. F. MORGAN,
W. H. GARMAN,
C. C. RYAN,
Committee.

Address, "Our Greatest Task," by Dr. J. O. Atknison.

The report of the Woman's Missionary Conference was read by Mrs. I. W. Johnson and, on motion, adopted, as follows:

REPORT OF WOMAN'S MISSIONARY CONFERENCE.

It has been just fourteen years since organized mission work began among the women of the Southern Christian Convention. Since that year of beginning, the work of the women of this Conference has gone steadily forward. The first annual report showed twelve organizations and less than $500.00 contributed. This year we report the following: 84 organizations; members, including Young People, Willing Workers and Cradle Roll, 2,287; contributions, $6,750.34 ($150.34 over the goal).

Work among the young people has shown a marked increase in interest—many of the societies have well-organized mission study classes, and several gave splendid pageants during the year.

This year the standards of excellence were tried for the second time and proved to be a great incentive to the work, which resulted in banners being awarded as follows: Woman's Societies, Windsor; Young People's, Holland; Willing Workers, Windsor and Rosemont; Cradle Roll, Suffolk and Holland. Many others met most of the requirements, and ten Churches have all four organizations.

The district spring rallies have proven a great success, and were held this year with better results than ever before.

Our Conference this fall was held at Bethlehem, with the largest attendance in its history. More than 500 were present, with 300 registered delegates and visitors and sixteen ministers, fifteen of whom were members of this Conference.

Our work continues along the same lines. The women divide their special between Richmond work and Japan. The young people support the mountain work and Santa Isabel.

Subject to your approval, the following officers were elected: Mrs. M. L. Bryant, President; Mrs. M. J. W. White, Vice-President; Mrs. L. W. Stagg, Secretary; Mrs. W. V. Leathers, Treasurer; Mrs. R. T. Bradford, Superintendent Young People; Mrs. J. E. Cartwright, Superintendent Literature; Mrs. W. H. Baker, Superintendent Cradle Roll.

MRS. M. L. BRYANT, *President.*
MRS. L. W. STAGG, *Sceretary.*

Address, "The Stewardship of Life," by Dr. W. H. Denison.

Mrs. Ellen Maice, of the Holiness Church, was introduced to the Conference.

Conference adjourned till the evening session.

Benediction by Rev. C. C. Ryan, D. D.

FIRST DAY—EVENING SESSION.

Conference met at 7:30 o'clock. Special music furnished by the Webster Choir.

Address, "The Genius and the Genesis of the Christian Church," by Rev. J. G. Truitt.

Sermon, "The Christ of the Crimson Road," by Dr. L. E. Smith.

SECOND DAY—MORNING SESSION.

Conference met at 9:30 o'clock. Prayer led by Rev. J. F. Morgan.

The report of the Committee on Moral Reform was read by Rev. Elisha Bradshaw. Address on "Moral Reform" by Dr. C. C. Ryan. On motion, the report was adopted, as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MORAL REFORM.

Knowing that we are living in a day when people are inclined to disobey the laws of God and man, and that this always brings sorrow, shame and loss, we would recommend as follows:

That the Christian Church preach, teach, live and use their influence against the following evils of the day:

1. All forms of Sabbath desecration.
2. All games of chance in the Church or out that have any inclination to lead to gambling or to get something without giving just compensation.
3. All forms of law disobedience.
4. All forms of immoral or unchaste living.
5. That we preach, teach and live against all forms of evil.

ELISHA BRADSHAW.
W. B. FULLER.

The report of the Committee on Home Missions was read by Col. J. E. West, chairman.

Address, "Home Missions," by Dr. L. E. Smith.

On motion, the report was adopted, as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON HOME MISSIONS.

We recommend that the President of this Conference endeavor to collect apportionments in full from those Churches which do not send their full apportionment to the annual Conference.

We recommend the usual appropriation of $1,000 to Christian Temple, on building fund, which leaves a balance of $8,000 due that Church.

We recommend an appropriation of $1,000 to South Norfolk Church on building fund, which completes the amount pledged that Church.

J. E. WEST,
MRS. I. W. JOHNSON,
E. E. HOLLAND,
L. R. JONES,
O. D. POYTHRESS,
J. S. COLLINS,
Committee.

Devotional half-hour; theme, "The Cross," by Rev. H. S. Hardcastle. Solo, "The Old Rugged Cross," by Rev. O. D. Poythress.

The Elon College Summer School was discussed by Miss Pattie Coghill.

Conference adjourned for dinner. Benediction by Rev. W. H. Garman.

SECOND DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference met at 1:45 o'clock. Prayer led by Rev. G. A. Pearce.

It was moved and carried that $100.00 be appropriated to the work among prisoners in Virginia.

The report of the collectors was submitted and adopted, as follows:

REPORT OF COLLECTORS.

We, your Collectors for this session, beg leave to report that we have received the following amounts from the Churches (see Statistical Table for detail) to be credited to the Conference funds as follows:

	Per Cent.	Amount.
Home missions	20	$1,495.00
Foreign missions	20	1,495.00
Elon College fund	20	1,495.00
Convention missions	15	1,115.00
Convention fund	10	740.00
Superannuated fund	5	370.00
Conference fund	5	511.00
Educational fund	5	375.50
Total		$7,596.50

NOTE: The $100.00 for prison work is included in Conference fund.—Sec'y.

To the above should be added the sum of $508.50, for the sale of the Church at Emporia, authorized by the last Conference, which is to be credited to the home mission fund of the Conference.

The following Churches failed to send in any Conference apportionments: Centerville, Moores, New Lebanon, Ocean View, Oak Grove, Elm Avenue, Sarem, St. Luke's, and St. Paul's.

Respectfully submitted,
R. C. NORFLEET,
B. E. WHITE,
E. L. BEALE,
Committee.

The report of the Committee on Apportionments was submitted and adopted, as follows:

REPORT OF APPORTIONMENT COMMITTEE.

The committee desires, before reading the Church apportionments, to make the following statement:

1. The committee is simply putting into effect the action of the Southern Christian Convention as affirmed by this Conference in its 1924 session.

2. The committee considered several methods of arriving at a just and fair basis of apportionments; consulted with fifteen of the ministers and a group of laymen; studied the financial situation of the fields as best it could with the information available; and endeavored to be God-led in its findings

3. The committee recognizes it cannot present a report satisfactory to all concerned, and so, in face of this, reports as follows:

APPORTIONMENTS FOR 1926-1927.

Antioch	$ 385.00	Mt. Zion	35.00
Barrett's	140.00	New Lebanon	65.00
Berea, Nansemond	200.00	Newport News	300.00
Berea, Norfolk	150.00	Ocean View	25.00
Bethlehem	310.00	Old Zion	575.00
Burton's Grove	75.00	Oak Grove	50.00
Centerville	45.00	Oakland	225.00
Christian Temple	1,200.00	People's, Dover	615.00
Cypress Chapel	290.00	Elm Avenue	50.00
Damascus	155.00	Rosemont	250.00
Dendron	120.00	Suffolk	2,250.00
Eure	240.00	Sarem	35.00
First, Norfolk	520.00	South Norfolk	500.00
First, Richmond	200.00	Spring Hill	80.00
First, Portsmouth	135.00	St. Luke's	10.00
Franklin	350.00	St. Paul's	10.00
Hobson	20.00	Union (Southampton)	120.00
Holland	450.00	Union (Surry)	50.00
Holy Neck	400.00	Wakefield	85.00
Isle of Wight	85.00	Waverly	310.00
Ivor	35.00	Windsor	120.00
Johnson's Grove	105.00	Webster	180.00
Liberty Spring	295.00		
Mt. Carmel	245.00	Total	$12,090.00

The apportionments for suggested benevolence is five times the amounts given here for each Church.

Respectfully submitted,
J. H. LIGHTBOURNE,
J. T. RAWLES,
I. T. BYRD,
R. B. ODOM,
W. W. STALEY,
Committee.

Dr. J. O. Atkinson spoke concerning the budget plan as adopted by the last session of the Southern Christian Convention.

The report of the Committee on Education was submitted and adopted, as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION.

In recent years education has assumed so many phases and functions that scholastic relations have lost their significance. Public schools overlap college curriculums, colleges imitate universities in elective studies, and universities admit high school graduates, so that college and university diplomas have little meaning. These three branches of education intrude upon technical schools by offering all sorts of technical training. In nearly all of these the Bible is left out, although few such schools exist where the religion of the Bible has never been taught; and where great intellectual schools once flourished without the Bible, the nations have waned or decayed. Schools, like industrial institutions, should hold tenaciously to their respective lines of work.

The public school should prepare for college; the college for the university; and the university should not compete with colleges for students. A college diploma should be required for entrance into a university. Craze for money and numbers has lowered ethical and educational standards.

Elon's ideal, "Character First and Always," should be, in fact, the standard for the Church college; and it should be the obligation of the board of trustees, the faculty and the Convention to see that the work and conduct at Elon harmonize with this ideal. Christian families should patronize Elon, give it their moral and financial support, and help make it what it claims to be, a real Christian Church college.

Ministerial education should have a larger place in Elon, and the instruction should include practical, as well as theological, training. Technical schools teach through work as well as study. Experience in the thing to be done is the lesson taught. Knowledge of the Church, pastoral duties, financial integrity, personal economy, liberality, self-surrender to God, when called by Him, and the subordination of self in all ministerial relations should be ingrained in the very life of young ministers. They should learn the courtesies and amenities of social life, and the same, in a higher degree, for relation with other ministers and ministers of other denominations.

The committee has had no communication from Rev. Dennis F. Parsons, J. T. Harrod and Devaney Cooper, candidates for the ministry.

Rev. J. B. Chadwick, of Dover, Del., remains on the list of licentiates.

We recommend the licensure of Richie Irvin Brittle, a junior in Elon College, and recommended by his pastor, Rev. W. B. Fuller, and Union Christian Church, Surry County, Va.

We recommend the ordination of Rev. Floyd D. Ballard, graduate of Elon College, pastor of Henderson Christian Church, Henderson, N. C., and recommended by the Henderson Church and Fullers Chapel, Vance County, N. C., to this high office. We recommend, further, that Brother Ballard be ordained at Oak Level Church, where the Eastern North Carolina Conference will be held November 23, 1926; and this to be done, after examination by the chairman of this committee and two members of the same committee in that Conference.

We recommend that Rev. W. C. Hook, who will serve Waverly Church, be received into this Conference upon credentials from the New York Eastern Conference.

We recommend that Rev. H. C. Caviness be enrolled as an elder, on a transfer from the Eastern North Carolina Christian Conference.

We recommend that Rev. B. J. Earp be granted a letter of transfer to the Virginia Valley Central Christian Conference.

We recommend that Rev. V. T. Crawford be granted a letter of transfer to unite with the M. E. Church of Kentucky.

We recommend that Rev. H. E. Truitt be granted a letter of transfer to unite with the Lexington Presbytery.

FINANCIAL EXHIBIT.

Cash in Farmers Bank of Nansemond		$ 2,067.32
Elon College bonds		6,000.00
Notes:		
C. W. Rountree	$400.00	
J. W. Barrett	365.00	
J. Cleveland Barrett	270.00	
Harold C. Hainer	400.00	
		1,435.00
Accounts:		
J. T. Harrod	$225.00	
Rev. T. Fred Wright	600.00	
Rev. Floyd D. Ballard	150.00	
		975.00
Total		$10,477.32

W. W. STALEY,
I. W. JOHNSON,
N. G. NEWMAN,
Committee on Education.

The report of the Committeee on Finance was read by A. L. Jolly, and, on motion, adopted, as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

We, your committee, have examined the report of H. Woodward, Treasurer, and find same correct.

We recommend the payment of the following:

I. W. Johnson, Secretary, salary	$ 25.00
I. W. Johnson, postage and stationery	2.00
Central Publishing Company, programs	5.00
C. H. Stephenson, Treasurer, Board Religious Education	364.50
W. H. Denison, expenses	25.00

We recommend that the Secretary be instructed to forward drafts to W. C. Wicker, Treasurer S. C. C., for the following amounts:

Foreign missions	$1,450.00
Elon College fund	1,495.00
Convention missions	1,100.00
Convention fund	740.00
Superannuated fund	370.00
	$5,155.00

Respectfully submitted,

A. L. JOLLY,
W. H. JONES,
J. F. BROTHERS,
Committee.

Address, "Preserving Our Inheritance," by Col. J. E. West.

Committee on Place for Next Session made a report, recommending that the invitation to meet with South Norfolk Christian Church be accepted. Report adopted.

Conference adjourned till the evening session. Benediction by Rev. Elisha Bradshaw.

SECOND DAY—EVENING SESSION.

Conference met at 7:30 o'clock. Music by the Webster Choir, assisted by the organist and some members of the Dover Christian Church Choir.

R. E. Brittle was licensed as a probationer to preach the gospel. Dr. W. D. Harward conducted this service, assisted by Drs. W. W. Staley, N. G. Newman and I. W. Johnson.

A free-will offering, amounting to $73.00, was given to the Webster Christian Church.

Solo, "Hold Thou My Hand," was sung by Mrs. W. B. Burton, of Dover, Del. Address, "The Christian Leadership for the Day," by Dr. R. C. Helfenstein. Solo by Mrs. Joseph Hoskins, of Dover, Del.

Benediction by Rev. M. W. Sutcliffe.

THIRD DAY—MORNING SESSION.

Conference met and called to order at 9:30 o'clock. Prayer led by Rev. G. C. Crutchfield.

It was moved and carried that Revs. W. W. Staley, J. H. Lightbourne and N. G. Newman be appointed as a presbytery to ordain Rev. Floyd D. Ballard to the office of an elder.

The report of the Committee on Nominations was submitted. The nominations submitted by the committee were elected as officers for the ensuing year, as follows:

President—Rev. H. S. Hardcastle.
Vice-President—Rev. J. F. Morman.
Secretary—Rev. I. W. Johnson.
Treasurer—H. Woodward.
Assistant Secretary—Rev. F. C. Lester.

The new officers were presented and installed. Prayer led by Dr. W. D. Harward.

It was moved and carried that the Secretary be authorized to deliver the Conference money to the Treasurer.

It was moved and carried that the President and Secretary be directed to write a letter of sympathy to Judge O. W. Whitelock and wife, who were recently injured in an automobile accident.

A telegram of greeting was received from Rev. D. P. Barrett, of Porto Rico.

It was moved and carried that the President and Secretary be authorized to reply to the same.

It was moved and carried that Conference shall meet on Wednesday before the First Sunday in November after this session.

It was moved and carried that the Executive Committee be requested to define the duties of the Committee on Evangelism.

It was moved and carried that the proceedings of this Conference shall be printed in the ANNUAL; that 600 copies of the ANNUAL be purchased for free distribution pro rata among the Churches, and the Secretary shall be authorized to draw a draft to pay for same from the Conference fund.

It was moved and carried that all standing committees be requested to have their reports to Conference typewritten in duplicate for the Conference records.

The report of the Committee on Religious Literature was submitted by Rev. G. C. Crutchfield, and, on motion, adopted, as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RELIGIOUS LITERATURE.

As long as any great movement continues to function, whether that movement be social, industrial, fraternal or religious, it must have its advocates, that its virtues and its interests may be kept before its constituents.

The strength of any movement depends not more on the fact that the constituents have been evangelized than upon the fact of instruction and development.

As long as the Church continues to call men to that higher life of Christian service, she needs the strongest and best of advocates.

Among the acknowledged powers for good in the world is the press, the paper or the book, written and published under the thraldom of Christ's spirit of unselfish giving of self and possessions.

The daily paper is an acknowledged power in the shaping of political destiny. And the power of the modern fiction is well known in the shaping of young life during the period of adolescence.

Knowing these things to be true, we are now aroused to the great need of a literature that will help to shape and fashion our moral and spiritual lives.

The Church paper is not only a mighty power in the home to back up the Christian influence of godly parents, but each copy of the Church paper which comes is an assistant pastor, coming to back up the work of the man of God who, with his many duties, cannot always be on hand to instruct and counsel the young and old.

As your committee, we, therefore, recommend that the following resolutions be adopted and put into effect:

1. Be it resolved, That this Conference do heartily commend *The Christian Sun* and pledge anew our allegiance to the cause of our blessed Lord as presented by our Board of Editors, and published by the Central Publishing Company.

2. Be it further resolved, That we look forward to and work to the end that very soon each regional Convention of our Church may have a paper equal to *The Christian Sun* in presenting to the world the cause of our Blessed Master

and the principles of the Christian Church, and the local news of the Churches in the Conventions; and that the *Herald of Gospel Liberty* may go as the carrier of our faith and representing the interests of our General Convention into the homes where *The Sun* or the other regional papers may go.

3. Be it further resolved, That the *Christian Missionary* be supported to the extent that we subscribe and read it, and that the *Journal of Christian Education*, as edited by Dr. W. A. Harper, be placed in all our Sunday Schools and Christian Endeavor Societies.

4. Be it resolved, That our Sunday Schools use the literature as published by our people.

5. We recommend that all our pastors and teochers buy and use such books as will be helpful in the winning of the boys and girls to Jesus Christ.

6. We recommend that each Sunday School establish and build up a library of helpful books and periodicals, that proper reading matter may be accessible to the young, and that the teachers act as overseers in the reading of such books.

7. Resolved, That every pastor in the Conference be asked to make a special effort to secure three times as many subscriptions to *The Christian Sun* as his Church now has on the list, and that every pastor report the results of his efforts to the President of the Conference by December 10th.

C. C. CRUTCHFIELD,
C. C. RYAN,
Committee.

Report of the Committee on Stewardship was submitted and adopted, as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON STEWARDSHIP.

Your committee feels that the idea of stewardship is taking hold upon our people. During the past year several of our ministers have emphasized this biblical doctrine, and the people have responded splendidly. There is a growing recognition of the fact that all human possessions are divine gifts.

It should be emphasized constantly that stewardship means much more than a method of money raising. It is recognition of God as Ruler and self as servant. The servant will most certainly turn into the treasury of the Master that portion which is proper, but he will also recognize the relationship of servant to Master and will undertake in every way to represent the Master to the best of his ability.

We recommend:

1. That the recommendations of the last year be continued, studied and practiced.

2. That we try, in so far as possible, to put on the every-member canvass simultaneously throughout the Conference.

3. That during the coming year special effort be made to secure tithers.

F. C. LESTER,
H. S. HARDCASTLE,
J. G. TRUITT,
Committee.

The report of the Committee on Resolutions was read by Dr. R. C. Helfenstein, chairman, and adopted, as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS.

Your Committee on Resolutions submits its report, recommending the following resolutions:

1. That as delegates to the One Hundred and Sixth Annual Session of the Eastern Virginia Christian Conference, we express, by rising vote of thanks our

sincere appreciation of the perfectly splendid manner in which the pastor, members and friends of the Webster Community Christian Church have entertained this Conference.

2. That the pastor, Rev. M. W. Sutcliffe, and his loyal congregaiton are to be heartily commended for the great work they have accomplished in building one of the best rural Church plants in the Conference, and because of their interest in and response to the various denominational enterprises.

3. That we hereby thank the ladies who so efficiently served the meals in the Church dining-room, and that we likewise thank all those who assisted in the rendering of music during the Conference session.

4. That we express our appreciation of the service rendered by the Conference officials during the year, and for the co-operation of all who had part on the Conference program.

5. That we congratulate the members of the cast presenting the play, "How Aunt Tillie Learned to Tithe," for the impressive manner in which they rendered the play, and that we recommend this play to the various Churches of this Conference, urging that some group in each Church put on the play at some evening service. Copies of the play may be secured from Dr. W. H. Denison, Dayton, Ohio.

6. That the plan of having the statistical Church chart as prepared for this session of the Conference by Rev. H. S. Hardcastle, be adopted as a permanent practice; and that Rev. H. S. Hardcastle be appointed as chairman of the Chart Committee, being authorized to procure at the expense of the Conference a suitable blackboard roll for such purpose.

7. That said statistical chart include the following items: membership last year; members received during the year; present membership; Sunday School enrollment; Conference appointments; missions; all other benevolences; pastor's salary; paid on Church property; amount raised for all purposes.

8. That the Church report blanks shall be sent out not later than October 1st each year, and one blank be sent to the pastor and two blanks be sent to the Church secretary.

9. That each pastor shall see that the report of his Church shall be sent to the chairman of the Chart Committee not later than October 20th, in order that he may have ample time to arrange the data for the chart before Conference convenes.

10. That the pastors and Churches of the Eastern Virginia Christian Conference be urged to give special prayer in the interest of Christian leadership, asking God to lay upon the hearts of the choice young men of our Sunday Schools and Churches the claims of the gospel ministry as a life work, and that He give our Conference a larger number of trained leaders, that w emay enter new fields of service within the bounds of our Conference.

R. C. HELFENSTEIN,
O. D. POYTHRESS,
G. A. PEARCE,
MRS. L. E. SMITH,
Committee.

The appointment of standing committees was deferred until the President could have time to make the appointment.

It was moved and carried that the addresses delivered by the President, W. D. Harward, Col. J. E. West, Dr. R. C. Helfenstein, J. G. Truitt, L. E. Smith and others be offered for publication in *The Christian Sun.*

Devotional half-hour by Rev. H. S. Hardcastle; theme, "Altars in Life."

The minutes for the session were read and approved.

It was moved and carried that Conference adjourn to meet Wednesday before the first Sunday in November, 1927, at South Norfolk Christian Church, at 10:30 o'clock A. M.

The following is a list of the standing committees for 1927:

Executive—H. S. Hardcastle, J. F. Morgan, I. W. Johnson.
Education—W. W. Staley, I. W. Johnson, N. G. Newman.
Home Missions—J. E. West, E. E. Holland, L. R. Jones, M. J. W. White, I. T. Byrd.
Foreign Missions—L. E. Smith, M. W. Sutcliffe, Mrs. M. L. Bryant, C. C. Ryan, O. D. Poythress.
Christian Education—J. H. Lightbourne, W. H. Baker, J. G. Truitt, J. F. West, Jr., B. D. Jones.
Religious Literature—M. W. Sutcliffe, J. M. Roberts, W. H. Garman.
Evangelism—R. C. Helfenstein, O. D. Poythress, H. C. Caviness.
Stewardship—J. G. Truitt, F. C. Lester, J. F. Morgan.
Moral Reform—W. D. Harward, Elisha Bradshaw, M. W. Hollowell.
Apportionments—I. A. Luke, J. A. Williams, J. S. Collins, R. B. Odom, C. A. Shoop.

Closing service conducted by Rev. M. W. Sutcliffe.

H. S. HARDCASTLE, *President.*
I. W. JOHNSON, *Secretary.*

MINISTERIAL REPORTS.

F. D. Ballard—Churches in charge: Henderson and Fullers Chapel. Sermons, 103; conversions, 14; members received, 14; prayer meetings, 28; visits, 290. Salary, $1,500.

Elisha Bradshaw—Churches in charge: Mt. Carmel, Johnson's Grove, Mt. Zion. Sermons, 65; conversions, 14; members received, 14; baptisms, 13; visits, 250; burial services, 12. Salary, $800.

G. C. Crutchfield—Churches in charge: Wakefield, Burton's Grove, Barrett's, and Ivor. Sermons, 113; conversions, 18; members received, 16; baptisms, 12; prayer meetings, 20; visits, 800; marriage, 1; burial services, 13. Salary, $1,104.

J. B. Chadwick—Assistant pastor St. Luke's. Sermons, 23; baptisms, 3; prayer meetings, 19; marriages, 2.

J. N. Cutchin—Supplied for seven Churches. Sermons, 55. Salary, $285.

Warren H. Denison—Secretary of Bureau of Stewardship and Promotion of the Christian Church. Sermons and addresses, 233; visits, 25; marriage, 1; burial services, 4. Salary, $3,000.

B. J. Earp—Churches in charge: Newport News and Hobson. Sermons, 120; conversions, 10; members received, 9; baptisms, 2; visits, 400; marriages, 8; burial service, 1. Salary, $2,050.

W. B. Fuller—Churches in charge: Dendron, Union (Surry), New Lebanon. Sermons, 72; conversion, 1; members received, 6; baptisms, 5; prayer meetings, 40; visits, 200; burial services, 6. Salary, $1,000.

J. L. Foster—Churches in charge: Salem Chapel and Liberty, N. C. Sermons, 40; conversions, 7; members received, 7; baptisms, 10; visits, 103; burial services, 2. Salary, $418.

W. H. Garman—Church in charge: Old Zion. Sermons, 165; conversions, 135; members received, 84; baptisms, 42; prayer meetings, 48; visits, 895; marriages, 40; burial services, 27. Salary, $2,080.

W. D. Harward—Churches in charge: Bethlehem, Antioch, Isle of Wight C. H., and Windsor. Sermons, 140; members received, 34; baptisms, 35; marriages, 13; burial services, 16. Salary, $1,800 and parsonage.

H. S. Hardcastle—Church in charge: Suffolk Christian Church. Sermons, 96; members received, 151; baptisms, 109; prayer meetings, 46; pastoral visits, 466; marriages, 14; burial services, 28. Salary, $2,500 and parsonage.

H. B. Hall—Church in charge: Elm Avenue. Sermons, 95; conversions, 13; members received, 37; baptisms, 6; prayer meetings, 45; visits, 400; marriages, 3; burial services, 3. Salary, $1,800.

H. W. Dowding—No report.

A. B. Flowers—No report.

I. W. Johnson—Churches in charge: Berea (Nansemond), Liberty Spring, and Oakland. Sermons, 82; conversions, 40; members received, 44; baptisms, 40; visits, 300; marriages, 99; burial services, 15. Salary, $1,650.

R. C. Helfenstein—Church in charge: People's, Dover. Sermons, 112; conversions, 33; marriages, 12; addresses, 31; burials, 18; members received, 25. Salary, $4,290 and parsonage.

L. L. Lassiter—No charge.

J. H. Lightbourne—Church in charge: Holland. Sermons, 96; conversions, 30; members received, 33; prayer meetings, 36; visits, 908; marriages, 5; burial services, 11; salary, $2,800, parsonage, lights and water.

F. C. Lester—Churches in charge: Franklin and Union (Southampton). Sermons, 140; conversions, 14; members received, 10; baptisms, 8; prayer meetings, 45; visits, 500; marriages, 5; burial services, 5. Salary, $2,600 and parsonage.

J. F. Morgan—Churches in charge: Rosemont and Berea (Norfolk). Sermons, 147; conversions, 56; members received, 72; baptisms, 36; prayer meetings, 27; visits, 1,105; marriages, 4; burial services, 14. Salary, $2,400 and parsonage.

N. G. Newman—Church in charge: Holy Neck. Sermons, 50; conversions, 15; members received, 19; baptisms, 7; visits, 240; marriage, 1; burial services, 7. Salary, $1,791.

O. D. Poythress—Church in charge: South Norfolk. Sermons, 198; conversions, 100; members received, 75; baptisms, 45; prayer meetings, 42; visits, 1,256; marriages, 45; burial services, 75. Salary, $2,795.

G. A. Pearce—Churches in charge: Damascus, Oak Grove, Eure's, Sarem. Sremons, 80; conversions, 34; members received, 34; baptisms, 34; prayer meetings, 10; visits, 400; burial services, 6. Salary, $1,200.

H. E. Rountree—Chaplain U. S. N., stationed for the past year at Naval Hospital and Navy-Yard, Norfolk, Va. Sermons, 105; prayer meetings, 52; marriages, 5; burial services, 3. Salary, $3,900.

C. C. Ryan—Church in charge: First, Richmond. Sermons, 80; conversions, 10; members received, 24; baptisms, 5; prayer meetings, 40; visits, 700; marriages, 7; burial services, 16. Salary, $2,000 and parsonage.

W. D. Parry—No report.

W. W. Staley—Pastor-emeritus Suffolk. Sermons, 45; visits, 1,747; marriages, 27; burial services, 49. Salary, $2,500 and parsonage.

W. R. Sutcliffe—No report.

M. W Sutcliffe—Church in charge: Webster, Md. Sermons, 110; conversions, 3; members received, 3; baptisms, 4; visits, 410; marriages, 4; burial services, 5. Salary, $1,560 and parsonage.

H. C. Taylor—Assistant, Dover. Sermons, 9; marriages, 2; burial services, 2.

J. M. Roberts—No report.

L. E. Smith—Church in charge: Christian Temple. Sermons, 92; marriages, 27; addresses, 6; members received, 208. Salary, $4,500.

R. S. Stephens—No report.

W. C. Moore—No report.

H. E. Truitt—Churches in charge: Waverly, Spring Hill and Centerville. Sermons, 108; conversions, 20; members received, 28; baptisms, 21; prayer meetings, 44; marriages, 2; burial services, 10. Salary, $2,000 and parsonage.

V. T. Crawford—No report.

J. G. Truitt—Church in charge: First, Norfolk. Sermons, 109; conversions, 55; marriages, 6; members received, 55; addresses, 76; burial services, 8. Salary, $2,200 and parsonage.

Eastern Virginia Conference—Sunday School Statistics.

SUNDAY SCHOOL	NAME AND ADDRESS SUPERINTENDENT	Number of Officers and Teachers	Total Enrollment	Total Amount Raised During Year
Antioch	J. H. Godwin, Windsor, Va.	18	131	$ 150.00
Barrett's	J. E. Ellsworth, Sebrell, Va.	7	40	50.00
Berea (Nansemond)	W. H Brinkley, Driver, Va.	10	80	329.00
Berea (Norfolk)	Percy Nichols, Hickory, Va.	11	127	273.00
Bethlehem	W. B Byrd, Suffolk, Va.	27	233	345.00
Christian Temple	E. W. Dance, Norfolk, Va.	56	646	2,227.00
Cypress Chapel	R. M. Jones, Suffolk, Va.	15	253	1,109.00
Damascus	J E. Corbit, Sunbury, N C.	7	110	84.00
Dendron	E T. Atkinson, Dendron, Va.	16	162	360.00
Eure's	T. A. Eure, Eure, N. C.	6	73	55.00
Elm Avenue	R. L. Baker, Portsmouth, Va.	12	195	380.00
First (Norfolk)	T. L. Fletcher, Norfolk, Va.	30	301	957.00
First (Portsmouth)	H. W. Lee, Portsmouth, Va.	11	163	759.00
First (Richmond)	D. J. Kelly, Richmond, Va.	12	148	839.00
Franklin	L. R. Jones, Franklin, Va.	26	259	789.00
Hobson	T. H. Beale, Hobson, Va.	5	19	27 00
Holland	I. A. Luke, Holland, Va.	17	278	1,020.00
Holy Neck	R. C. Norfleet, Holland, Va.	15	243	629.00
Isle of Wight	J. H. Turner, Isle of Wight, Va.	11	105	143.00
Ivor	B. H. Lane, Ivor, Va.	8	46	89.00
Johnson's Grove	M. H. Doyle, Sedley, Va.	9	46	35.00
Liberty Spring	I. T. Byrd, Holland, Va.	11	166	227.00
Mt. Carmel	Otis V. Joyner, Walters, Va.	28	219	264.00
Mt. Zion	R. M. Matthews, Eclipse, Va.	13	48	36.00
New Lebanon	Ollie V. Cockes, Elberon, Va.	14	63	98.00
Newport News	C D. West, Newport News, Va.	21	211	628.00
Oakland	W. K. Wagner, Suffolk, Va.	14	205	282.00
Old Zion	W. M. Gunter, Norfolk, Va.	17	355	442.00
Peoples (Dover)	J. B. Hutton, Dover, Del.	27	479	554.00
Rosemont	H. R. Morrison, Berkley, Va.	21	218	881 00
Spring Hill	J. T. White, Waverly, Va.	8	70	60.00
Sarem	J. T. Eure, Roduco, N. C.	6	64	7.00
South Norfolk	R. W. Spruill, South Norfolk, Va.	20	350	2,073.00
Suffolk	D. C. Lewis, Suffolk, Va.	48	781	1,561.00
St. Luke's	J. B. Chadwick, Dover, Del.	5	62	40.00
Union (Surry)	G. S. Huber, Dendron, Va.	7	35	84.00
Union (Southampton)	R. H. Joyner, Franklin, Va.	9	85	101.00
Waverly	J. F. West, Waverly, Va.	20	238	297.00
Wakefield	E. J. Burgess, Wakefield, Va.	9	79	100.00
Windsor	A. S. Roberts, Windsor, Va.	19	156	349.00
Webster	W. W. Walker, Havre de Grace, Md.	11	143	381.00
Totals		650	7,686	$19,120.00

NOTE.—No reports were received from Centerville, Epworth, Ocean View, Oak Grove, or St. Paul's. No Sunday School at Burton's Grove.

CHURCH.	PASTOR.	SECRETARY AND ADDRESS.	Members Reported Last Year.	Present Membership.	Received Since.
Antioch	W. D. Harward	J. H. Godwin, Windsor, Va	387	387	18
Barrett's	G. C. Crutchfield	J. E. Ellsworth, Sebrell, Va	134	138	10
Burton's Grove	G. C. Crutchfield	E. W. Carroll, Wakefield, Va	75	77	5
Berea (Nansemond)	I. W. Johnson	Mrs. L. E. Hargroves, Driver, Va	130	130	3
Berea (Norfolk)	J. F. Morgan	M. W. Hollowell, R. 3, Portsmouth	136	151	18
Bethlehem	W. D. Harward	J. W. Folk, Suffolk, Va	302	312	14
Centerville	H. E. Truitt	J. L. Moss, Disputanta, Va	71	71	....
Christian Temple	L. E. Smith	F. M. Brewer, Norfolk, Va	1,219	1,296	208
Cypress Chapel	J. M. Roberts	C. W. Rountree, Cypress Chapel, Va	246	292	53
Damascus	G. A. Pearce	J. E. Corbitt, Sunbury, N. C	152	155	10
Dendron	W. B. Fuller	W. S. Barrett, Dendron, Va	117	106	7
Eure	G. A. Pearce	W. M. Sparkman, Eure, N. C	226	242	19
Elm Avenue	H. B. Hall	J. W. Felton, Portsmouth, Va	198	198	14
First, Norfolk	J. G. Truitt	W. J. Thomas, Norfolk, Va	476	521	55
First, Richmond	C. C. Ryan	D. W. Darden, Richmond, Va	90	112	23
First, Portsmouth	H. W. Dowding	R. W. Holland, Jr., Portsmouth, Va	142	134	....
Franklin	F. C. Lester	W. A. Daughtrey, Franklin, Va	260	256	2
Hobson	B. J. Earp	T. H Beale, Hobson, Va	15	12	....
Holland	J. H. Lightbourne	R. H Riedel, Holland, Va	426	426	30
Holy Neck	N. G. Newman	R. C. Norfleet, Holland, Va	391	407	18
Isle of Wight	W. D. Harward	M. T. Whitley, Windsor, Va	84	85	3
Ivor	G. C. Crutchfield	Dona V. Williams, Ivor, Va	36	36	....
Johnson's Grove	Elisha Bradshaw	Mrs. B. T. Hansuch, Sedley, Va	109	106	....
Liberty Spring	I. W. Johnson	F. F. Brinkley, Suffolk, Va	282	293	13
Mt. Carmel	Elisha Bradshaw	Otis V. Joyner, Walters, Va	237	243	13
Mt. Zion	Elisha Bradshaw	Miss Clara Fields, Eclipse, Va	45	37	....
New Lebanon	W. B. Fuller	Ollie V. Cockes, Elberon, Va	67	66	1
Newport News	B. J. Earp	Mrs. W. H. Baker, Newport News, Va.	297	304	9
Ocean View	W. H. Fentress	F. D. Gay, Ocean View, Va	30	30	....
Oak Grove	G. A. Pearce	W. C. Beamon, Savage, N. C	80	80	....
Oakland	I. W. Johnson	W. G. Saunders, Suffolk, Va	300	324	28
Old Zion	W. H. Garmon	W. M. Gunter, Norfolk, Va	497	574	84
People's, Dover	R. C. Helfenstein	E. E. Benson, Dover, Del	608	617	25
Rosemont	J. F. Morgan	R. W. Bondurant, Buell, Va	195	248	54
Spring Hill	H. E. Truitt	C. C. Richardson, Waverly, Va	80	78	....
St. Paul's	J. B. Chadwick	Miss Jennie Steele, Wyoming, Del	41	41	....
Sarem	G. A. Pearce	W. J. Felton, Gates, N. C	36	36	....
South Norfolk	O D. Poythress	E. E. Hollowell, S. Norfolk, Va	450	543	102
Suffolk	H. S. Hardcastle and W. W. Staley	J. D. McClenny, Suffolk, Va	1,062	1,206	151
St. Luke's	R. S. Stephens	W. S. Carson, Dover, Del	14	14	....
Epworth	W. C. Moore		16	16	....
Union (Surry)	W. B. Fuller	R. T. Brittle, Dendron, Va	54	50	....
Union (Southampton)	F. C. Lester	B. Drake, Franklin, Va	117	123	8
Waverly	H. E. Truitt	R. T. West, Waverly, Va	307	311	10
Wakefield	G. C. Crutchfield	A. H. Spivey, Wakefield, Va	86	81	....
Windsor	W. D. Harward	J. L. Eley, Windsor, Va	110	120	12
Webster	M. W. Sutcliffe	Joseph Sutcliffe, Havre de Grace, Md	192	183	3
Totals			10,609	11,268	1023

Paid on Conference Apportionments.	Special Foreign Mission Offering.	Special Home Mission Offering.	All Other Benevolences.	Pastor's Salary.	Amount Spent on Building.	All Other Expenses.	Total Amount Raised.	Value of Church Property.
$ 200.00	.....	.....	.....	$ 550.00	.....	$ 50.00	800.00	$ 5,000.00
60.00	.....	.....	$ 25.00	200.00	.....	50.00	335.00	3,000.00
50.00	.....	.....	11.00	200.00	.....	50 00	311.00	500.00
250.00	$ 234.00	$ 234.00	270.00	600.00	$ 75.00	316.00	1,979.00	10,000.00
125.00	31.00	.....	188.00	610.00	75 00	435.00	1,443.00	5,500 00
200.00	90.00	90.00	163.00	642.00	248.00	500.00	1,941.00	20,000.00
.....	.....	.....	.....	200.00	.....	.....	200.00	1,200.00
400.00	1,458.00	1,458.00	534 00	4,500.00	15,578.00	7,280.00	31,208.00	313,000.00
230.00	81.00	81.00	12.00	700.00	25,000.00	236.00	26,340.00	25,000.00
100.00	30.00	30.00	30.00	500.00	.....	15.00	705.00	2,000.00
130.00	.....	.....	140.00	408.00	.....	1,040.00	1,718.00	5,800.00
30.00	.....	25.00	50.00	333.00	80.00	195.00	713.00	3,500.00
.....	160.00	160.00	160.00	1,800.00	255 00	355.00	2,890.00	14,500.00
250.00	126.00	235.00	265.00	2,200.00	748.00	3,550.00	7,374.00	43,000.00
100.00	195.00	195.00	355.00	2,000.00	9,941.00	4,134.00	16,958.00	111,000.00
150.00	166 00	166.00	146.00	1,500.00	305.00	1,473.00	3,906.00	75,000.00
300.00	487.00	488.00	280.00	2,400.00	1,430.00	1,736.00	7,121.00	47,000.00
20.00	.....	.....	.....	50.00	.....	.....	70.00	2,000.00
400.00	682.00	682.00	572.00	2,800.00	2,652.00	1,219.00	9,097.00	48,000.00
300.00	100.00	100.00	437.00	2,000.00	.....	150.00	3,087.00	14,000.00
100.00	.....	30.00	39.00	300.00	286.00	158.00	903.00	3,000.00
35.00	.....	17.00	43.00	200.00	50.00	74.00	419.00	1,500.00
42.00	.....	11.00	48.00	200.00	.....	57.00	358.00	1,500.00
240.00	100.00	221.00	53.00	500.00	7,159.00	325 00	8,698 00	20,000.00
150.00	.....	50.00	96.00	500.00	210.00	75.00	1,081.00	7,000.00
45.00	.....	.....	10.00	150.00	125 00	.....	280.00	2,000.00
.....	.....	12.00	119.00	245.00	5.00	160.00	541.00	3,000.00
150.00	269.00	400.00	95.00	2,000.00	.....	3,599.00	6,513.00	12,000.00
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3,000.00
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190.00	43.00	100.00	179.00	550.00	1,000.00	250.00	2,322.00	20,000.00
130.00	.....	7 00	34.00	2,080.00	412.00	1,783 00	4,429.00	10,000.00
300.00	200.00	363.00	820.00	4,290.00	10,500.00	7,891.00	24,364.00	273,000.00
125.00	200.00	252.00	346.00	1,800.00	1,040.00	778.00	4,541.00	11,000.00
50.00	.....	.....	.....	246.00	.....	41.00	340.00	3,500.00
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200.00	71.00	200.00	850.00	2,795.00	22,254.00	2,094.00	29,064.00	105,000.00
2,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	900.00	5,000 00	10,000.00	6,000.00	25,900 00	100,000.00
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50.00	.....	8.00	35.00	240.00	.....	25.00	358.00	1,750.00
69.50	.....	37.00	12.00	350.00	.....	.....	468.50	1,500.00
225.00	100.00	309.00	99.00	1,554.00	270.00	1,326.00	3,868.00	14,200 00
50.00	.....	.....	.....	700.00	.....	100.00	850.00	9,750.00
100.00	150.00	158.00	163.00	487.00	.....	199.00	1,247.00	6,000 00
50.00	88.00	16.00	.....	1,560.00	6,304.00	5,418.00	13,436 00	53 500.00
$7,596.50	$6,061.00	$7,031.00	$7,579.00	$50,940.00	$116,002.00	$53,908.00	$249,120.50	$1,428,200.00

Proceedings of the One Hundred and First Annual Session of North Carolina and Virginia Christian Conference.

FIRST DAY—MORNING SESSION.

The One Hundred and First Annual Session of the North Carolina and Virginia Christian Conference met with the New Lebanon Christian Church, Rockingham County, N. C., at 10:30 A. M., November 16, 1926, and was called to order by the President, Dr. C. H. Rowland. Devotional services were conducted by Rev. R. A. Whitten.

The roll of ministers and Churches was called and a quorum found present. Complete enrollment for the session as follows:

Ministers—Revs. W. S. Alexander, J. F. Apple, J. O. Atkinson, S. A. Bennett, J. S. Carden, G. C. Crutchfield, H. E. Crutchfield, T. B. Dawson, Stanley C. Harrell, W. M. Jay, P. T. Klapp, J. W. Knight, J. A. Ledbetter, C. E. Newman, J. U. Newman, J. W. Patton, C. H. Rowland, R. A. Whitten, T. F. Wright, L. L. Wyrick.

Licentiate—S. E. Madren.

Churches and Delegates.

Apple's Chapel—Miss Mary I. Thomas, Robert Murrell.
Belew Creek—J. W. Strader, Mrs. J. W. Strader.
Berea—John T. Kernodle.
Bethlehem—Mrs. C. H. Gilliam, Mrs. S. E. Madren.
Concord—Miss Ida Anderson, Miss Annie Aldridge, J. P. Underwood.
Danville—J. W. Dixson, J. E. Jones, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Allen.
Durham—Dr. W. H. Boone, R. J. Kernodle.
Elk Spur—By letter.
Elon College—J. G. McAdams, C. D. Johnston, Miss Annie Watson, Mrs. W. S. Alexander.
Greensboro, First Church—Mr. and Mrs. Hugh H. Clymer, L. M. Clymer, H. V. Simpson, H. C. Simpson, Treasurer Conference.
Greensboro, Palm Street—Miss Zonie Hobbs, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Hinshaw.
Happy Home—Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Gunn, Mrs. Arthur Powell.
Haw River—W. E. Cook.
Hebron—By letter.
Hines Chapel—A. D. Gerringer, Rowland W. Iseley.
Hopedale—By letter.

Howard's Chapel—G. W. Suitts, W. B. Madison.
Ingram—Herbert Dunn.
Kallam Grove—By letter.
Lebanon—H. G. Earp.
Liberty—By letter.
Long's Chapel—Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Wyatt, Mrs. J. Walter Johnson.
Monticello—Miss Myrtle Rudd, Miss Tora Rudd.
Mt. Bethel—D. I. Cummings, J. T. Stewart.
Mt. Zion—Miss Ruth Florence, Miss Helen McAdams, Gattis Carden.
New Hope—
New Lebanon—W. M. Suitts, W. M. McCollum, Mrs. H. P. Moore.
Pleasant Grove—By letter.
Pleasant Ridge—Miss Florence Crutchfield.
Reidsville—Mrs. D. E. Mitchell, Mrs. B. W. Fields, Mrs. C. W. Gerringer, D. H. Haizlip, J. W. Michael.
Rocky Ford—By letter.
Salem Chapel—R. J. Marshall.
Shallow Ford—By letter.
Union (N. C.)—J. H. Wilkins.
Union (Va.)—R. W. Glascock.
United Christian, Lynchburg—John Evers, W. T. Dunn.

Greetings were presented from Drs. J. W. Wellons and P. H. Fleming, and their regrets that they were unable to attend Conference.

Welcome address by Rev. J. W. Knight, pastor Conference Church. Rseponse by Rev. T. F. Wright.

Moved and carried that a Nominating Committee be appointed and that officers be elected on the second day, morning session.

The Program Committee submitted the printed program as its report, with Dr. W. M. Jay to take the place of Dr. J. U. Newman as the preacher for the evening session of the first day.

On motion, the program was adopted as the official order of business, subject to such changes as Conference may vote.

The Executive Committee reported as follows:

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

Rev. S. A. Bennett was received by letter of transfer, as an elder, from the Ohio Central Christian Conference, and the Executive Committee of the Southern Christian Convention was requested to elect him as a delegate to the General Convention, in Urbana, Ill.

C. H. Rowland,
Stanley C. Harrell,
Committee.

On motion, the report of the Executive Committee was adopted.

The Treasurer reported as follows:

REPORT OF TREASURER.

1925.			
Nov. 1.	Balance brought forward		$ 64.41
	To collections from Churches		3,544.09
	Total		$3,608.50
Dec. 15.	By draft W. C. Wicker, Tr., Con. missions	$697.50	
	By draft W. C. Wicker, Tr., schools and colleges	697.50	
	By draft W. C. Wicker, Tr., foreign missions	697.50	
	By draft W. C. Wicker, Tr., Convention fund	157.50	
	By draft W. C. Wicker, Tr., home missions	405.00	
	By draft W. C. Wicker, Tr., ministerial education	75.00	
	By draft W. C. Wicker, Tr., superannuate fund	575.00	
	By draft C. H. Stephenson, Tr. Bd. Rel. Education	150.00	
	By draft W. J. Ballentine, Tr. N. C. Christian Con.	15.00	
	By draft Central Publishing Co., programs	4.50	
1926.			
June 14.	By draft Central Publishing Co., ANNUALS	100.00	
			3,574.50
Nov. 1.	Balance on hand		$ 34.00

H. C. SIMPSON,
Treasurer.

On motion, the report of Treasurer was referred to the Finance Committee.

Miss Pattie Coghill, Rev. J. L. Foster, G. H. Veazey, G. C. Crutchfield, T. J. Green, and Joe French were invited to seats as deliberative members of Conference.

Special committees were appointed as follows:

Press—Dr. W. A. Harper, Stanley C. Harrell.
Auditing—C. D. Johnston, L. M. Clymer.
Resolutions—J. O. Atkinson, P. T. Klapp, J. S. Carden.
Collector—H. V. Simpson.
Place of Meeting—L. L. Wyrick, Hugh H. Clymer.
Nominations—C. E. Newman, J. C. McAdams, S. A. Bennett.
Memoirs—J. W. Patton, T. F. Wright, R. A. Whitten.

Dr. C. H. Rowland delivered the annual presidential address, using as his theme "The Church Coming to Her Own."

Moved and carried that the program for Wednesday evening be held in the high school auditorium.

Conference adjourned for lunch.

FIRST DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference called to order at 1:45.

Devotional services conducted by Rev. J. S. Carden.

The Committee on Religious Literature reported as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RELIGIOUS LITERATURE.

Suggestions and recommendations of the Committee on Religious Literature.

First. That the accredited revealed will of God, as recorded in the Old and New Testaments, known as the Holy Bible, for primal, continued and devout study for the rule and guide of faith and practice.

The study of this library—the Holy Bible—consisting of sixty-six books bound in one volume, must be done without doubtful disputation or adverse criticism for it properly to function in human character and produce the divinely desired and intended results.

The essential doctrines of the Holy Bible need to be emphasized in life and from the pulpit more than they now are.

Second. That our Sunday Schools use our own literature. Such other helps as may be desired are suggested as aids in study.

Third. That the following periodicals be taken and read: *The Christian Sun, The Herald of Gospel Liberty, The Christian Missionary, The Teachers' Journal,* and the *Journal of Christian Education.*

Fourth. That our book depository be patronized. This is right and ethical and should be done by our constituency.

Fifth. That our people read more religious literature, both periodicals and books, selecting only the best.

Your committee beg to suggest the following books: "What to Preach," by Henry Sloane Coffin, D. D., price $2.00; "Making Good in the Ministry," by Rev. A. T. Robertson, D. D., price $1.50; "The Spirit of Christ," by Dr. Chas. R. Erdman, price $1.50.

For reading, select the subject or subjects desired to study, and then write to several standard, accredited divinity schools, requesting their recommendation of the best books, magazines and literature on your selected subject for study. This will give you highly censored literature of highest grade in Christian ethics and best thought of man. It will serve as a literary digest, from which you can make your own selection and accept such truth as you may find and may desire to incorporate in your fund of knowledge.

J. W. PATTON,
Committee.

Pending the adoption of the report, Rev. J. W. Patton addressed the Conference concerning religious literature.

Dr. J. O. Atkinson presented the claims of *The Christian Sun.*

On motion the report was adopted.

Moved and carried that the pastors endeavor to double the subscription list to *The Christian Sun* in their respective fields by January 1, 1927.

The Committee on Foreign Missions reported as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

We, your committee, recommend the following:

First. That the Churches comprising this Conference be requested to increase their offerings for the support of the work in the foreign fields.

Second. That the pastors, superintendents and teachers of Sunday Schools in this Conference be requested to keep the subject of missions before their congregations and schools.

Third. That each Church wherever practical be requested to put on a mission program at least once during the year.

Fourth. That the pastors insist that the members of their Churches subscribe for and read *The Christian Missionary*, published at Dayton, Ohio, and priced fifty cents a year.

Fifth. That the members of the Churches composing this Conference be requested to pray to our Heavenly Father, asking Him to give us more missionaries for the foreign field, which is white unto harvest.

P. T. KLAPP,
C. E. NEWMAN,
R. A. WHITTEN,
Committee.

Rev. P. T. Klapp addressed the Conference on the responsibility of the Church for the mission task.

General discussion of mission work.

On motion, the report on foreign missions was adopted.

On motion, Conference adjourned.

FIRST DAY—EVENING SESSION.

Song and praise service, led by Rev. L. L. Wyrick.

The Vice-President, Rev. R. A. Whitten, presented Dr. W. M. Jay, who preached the evening sermon, using as his theme "The Breaking of Bread."

Communion service administered by Revs. P. T. Klapp and J. W. Knight. Benediction by Rev. P. T. Klapp.

SECOND DAY—MORNING SESSION.

Conference called to order at 9:30 A. M.

Devotional services were conducted by Rev. L. L. Wyrick.

Minutes of previous day's sessions read and adopted.

On motion, Rev. W. M. Jay was received into Conference membership by letter of transfer from the Rays Hill and Southern Pennsylvania Christian Conference.

The Committee on Sunday Schools and Christian Endeavor reported as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS AND CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR.

The Sunday School and Christian Endeavor Convention was held in Lynchburg, Va., July 24, 25, 1926. It was not largely attended; however, the interest in the Convention was great. Those present seemed to be benefitted and inspired. They pledged themselves to work for a greater Convention the coming year. The time was set for the next session of the Convention, the date selected being Wednesday and Thursday after the third Sunday in June, 1927. The place of meeting has not been decided upon. Officers of the Convention were

elected as follows: Rev. M. F. Allen, president; C. M. Cannon, vice-president; Miss Edna Harvey, secretary.

Your committee recommends:

First. That we give the Board of Christian Education of the Southern Christian Convention the 5 per cent suggested by the budget.

Second. That the pastors of the Churches of this Conference be requested to so arrange that no revival meetings will come during the Elon Summer Training School.

Third. That each Church of this Conference be requested to send at least one representative to the Elon Training School, paying all or part of the expense.

J. E. McCAULEY,
T. F. WRIGHT,
J. F. APPLE,
Committee.

Rev. T. F. Wright addressed the Conference concerning Sunday School work.

Miss Pattie Coghill presented Christian Endeavor work.

On motion, the report was amended to refer recommendation 1 to the Budget Committee.

The report, as amended, was adopted by motion.

The Budget Committee submitted a proposed budget for the coming year. Motion made and seconded that the report be adopted.

General discussion of the report on budget.

Moved and carried that the time for the discussion of the report be extended into the afternoon session.

On motion, the Conference adjourned for lunch. Benediction by Dr. W. S. Alexander.

SECOND DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference called to order at 1:45 P. M.

Devotional services conducted by Rev. M. T. Sorrell.

The Budget Committee's report was taken up.

The motion to adopt the report of the Budget Committee was lost.

On motion, three members were added to the Budget Committee, and the committee instructed to draft a new report and present same at this sitting of Conference. Members added to the Budget Committee: P. T. Klapp, W. S. Alexander, W. T. Dunn.

The Nominating Committee reported as follows:

REPORT OF NOMINATING COMMITTEE.

For President—Rev. C. H. Rowland.
For Vice-President—Rev. R. A. Whitten.
For Secretary—Rev. Stanley C. Harrell.
For Assistant Secretary—Dr. W. A. Harper.
For Treasurer—H. C. Simpson.

C. E. NEWMAN,
S. A. BENNETT,
J. C. MCADAMS,
Nominating Committee.

Moved and carried that the report be adopted, and that the nominees be elected to the respective offices for the coming year.

The Committee on Home Missions reported as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON HOME MISSIONS.

Your Board is of the opinion that the time has come for definite action in home mission work. There are many strategic places within the bounds of our Conference. There are weak Churches at certain points that need to be strengthened. When your Board reported two years ago, it was recommended that some new place be found where work looking toward the organization of a Church should be undertaken. Last year a definite recommendation was made that Winston Salem be considered. At the North Carolina Christian Conference a resolution was adopted looking to the organization of a centennial Church, but as yet nothing has been done. We recommend for consideration Winston Salem, Greensboro, High Road, and Bessemer Avenue. We recommend that Liberty (Randolph), Danville, and Palm Street, Greensboro, be considered for receiving aid, or the aiding of the Western North Carolina Christian Conference in establishing a Church at Asheboro, N. C. We recommend that larger apportionments be made by the Finance Committee; that more adequate support be given to our mountain work; that the home mission funds of this Conference be administered as in the previous year.

J. A. LEDBETTER,
C. H. ROWLAND,
STANLEY C. HARRELL,
Committee.

Rev. Stanley C. Harrell spoke on "Organizing the Home Base."

General discussion of report.

Moved and carried that the report on home missions be adopted.

On motion, Rev. M. T. Sorrell was invited to a seat as a deliberative member.

The Committee on Education reported as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION.

We recommend, to the most favorable consideration of all our constituency, Elon College as the institution to which our sons and daughters should be sent after finishing high school, in order that they may obtain collegiate training in a Christian atmosphere and by Christian teachers. Our equipment is equal to the very best in any college, and our people should patronize their own college and prove their unstinted loyalty and devotion to the institution builded by the prayers and sacrifices of the Christian Church.

S. E. Madren, who was admitted to the biblical class a year ago, has pursued his studies and is now a member of the sophomore class in Elon. He is a member of Bethlehem Church, whose pastor and deacons recommend that he be licensed to preach as a probationer. Your committee has duly examined him and recommend his licensure at this session of the Conference. He applies for a $100.00 loan to enable him to remain in school the present year, and we recommend that this loan be granted in the usual way.

W. J. B. Hines, who was licensed last year, left school at the close of the fall term, and your committee has no report from him. We do not know whether he is pursuing his purpose and plan of equipping himself for the ministry.

I. T. Underwood has reported, through letter, that he has tried to do what he could in his home Church in building up the cause of our Lord and the Church, but that he has no regular work as a pastor. We recommend that his license be continued.

R. H. Coble reports by letter that he has held several prayer meetings, preached a few times, and has held some meetings, resulting in eight conversions. He has worked in Sunday School and in Church, but has no regular charge. We recommend that his license be continued.

We recommend that Rev. G. C. Crutchfield, who comes by letter of transfer from the Eastern Virginia Christian Conference, be received into Conference fellowship.

We recommend, that since Rev. H. B. Hall has connected himself with the Methodist Episcopal Church, his name be dropped from the Conference roll.

We regret to report that so few are entering the ministry in our Conference, and that there seems to be a decreasing number who are offering themselves as preachers of the gospel. Verily, the time has come when we should pray the Lord of the harvest that He send forth laborers into His harvest.

Respectfully submitted,
J. O. ATKINSON,
C. H. ROWLAND,
J. U. NEWMAN,
Committee.

Geo. D. Colclough addressed the Conference on "The Value of a Christian Education."

On motion, the report of the Committee on Education was adopted.

Moved and carried that the report on stewardship be carried over to tomorrow morning's session.

Moved and carried that the Conference authorize the Executive Committee to execute the proper papers for the Reidsville Church to borrow $10,000 on their Church property in case they decide to build Sunday School equipment.

On motion, Conference adjourned. Benediction by Rev. T. J. Green.

SECOND DAY—EVENING SESSION.

Song and praise service.
Sermon by Rev. H. E. Crutchfield.
Benediction by Rev. J. S. Carden.

THIRD DAY—MORNING SESSION.

Conference called to order at 9:30 A. M.
Devotional services were conducted by Rev. J. F. Apple.
Minutes of previous day's session were read and adopted.
Ministerial and Church letters were read.
The Budget Committee reported as follows:

REPORT OF BUDGET COMMITTEE.

APPORTIONMENTS FOR 1926.

Your committee two years ago recommended that the increase in apportionments, as recommended by the Southern Christian Convention, be approved. The Conference voted its assent. In our report last year we called special attention to the increase and stated that at this time we would submit the apportionments as they had been voted by the Conference.

APPORTIONMENTS FOR 1927.

We, therefore, recommend for your approval the following apportionments for 1926 in one column, the increase in a second, and the final total in a third, as follows:

	1926.	Increase.	1927.
Apple's Chapel	$ 225.00	$ 190.00	$ 415.00
Belew Creek	100.00	85.00	185.00
Berea	90.00	75.00	165.00
Bethel	80.00	70.00	150.00
Bethlehem	225.00	190.00	415.00
Concord	40.00	35.00	75.00
Danville (Va.)	100.00	85.00	185.00
*Durham	350.00	300.00	650.00
Elk Spur	10.00	10.00	20.00
Elon College	350.00	300.00	650.00
*Greensboro, First	350.00	300.00	650.00
Greensboro, Palm Street	90.00	75.00	165.00
Happy Home	100.00	85.00	185.00
Haw River	120.00	100.00	220.00
Hebron (Va.)	130.00	110.00	240.00
Hines Chapel	165.00	140.00	305.00
Hopedale	25.00	20.00	45.00
Howard's Chapel	45.00	40.00	85.00
Ingram (Va.)	150.00	130.00	280.00
Kallum Grove	25.00	20.00	45.00
Lebanon	200.00	170.00	370.00
Liberty (Va.)	60.00	50.00	110.00
Long's Chapel	75.00	65.00	140.00
Lynchburg	25.00	20.00	45.00
Monticello	45.00	40.00	85.00
Mt. Bethel	90.00	75.00	165.00
Mt. Zion	50.00	45.00	95.00
New Hope	25.00	20.00	45.00
New Lebanon	110.00	95.00	205.00
Pleasant Grove (Va.)	300.00	255.00	555.00
Pleasant Ridge	70.00	60.00	130.00
Reidsville	60.00	50.00	110.00
Rocky Ford	10.00	10.00	20.00
Salem Chapel	65.00	55.00	120.00
Shallow Ford	100.00	85.00	185.00
Union (N. C.)	225.00	190.00	415.00
Union (Va.)	175.00	150.00	325.00
Totals	$4,955.00	$3,795.00	$8,250.00

PERCENTAGES OF DISTRIBUTION.

We recommend the same percentages of distribution as heretofore of the Conference budget, as follows:

	Per Cent.
To the Southern Christian Convention	75
To home missions	13½
To ministerial education	2½
To Conference fund	5
To superannuation	4
Total	100

*Was $350 when the increase was proposed, but for past two years has been apportioned $500.00. Final increase based on apportionment at time of proposal.

The Southern Christian Convention will make its own distribution of its 75 per cent, but by action of the Durham Convention it will be distributed as follows:

	Per Cent.
For publications	20
For the Convention itself	20
For superannuation	12
For schools and colleges	19.2
For missions	15.36
For the Orphanage	9.6
For the Board of Christian Education	3.84
Total	100

SPECIAL RECOMMENDATIONS.

We recommend:

First. That 10 per cent of the Conference fund be paid to the North Carolina Christian Conference for its expenses.

Second. That the Secretary of the Conference endeavor to get any Church not remitting at the Conference session to send him its remittance, and that he include the same in the Collector's report.

Third: That the Secretary percentage all funds in hand and draw drafts to the proper persons and officials, and that for the funds remitted at this time the distribution be as voted last year, as follows:

	Per Cent.	Per Cent.
To the Southern Christian Convention of totals		75
Distributed as follows:	Per Cent.	
To Convention missions	31	
To schools and colleges	31	
To foreign missions	31	
To Convention fund	7	
Total	100	
To home missions		13½
To ministerial education		2½
To Conference fund		5
To superannuation		4
Total		100

Fourth. That the Secretary pay from the Conference funds all expense accounts approved by this Conference.

Fifth. That our Churches be urged to adopt the every-member canvass and envelope system of payment, or "Church Honor Day" with envelope system of payment, as they may prefer.

Sixth. That the money raised for Conference apportionment be remitted quarterly to the Treasurer of the Conference on February 1st, May 1st, August 1st, and November 1st.

SPECIAL BENEVOLENCE BUDGET.

We call attention to the action of the Southern Christian Convention in adopting a total budget of $150,000 for benevolences, $25,000 of which is to come to the Conferences for apportionment and which we have cared for in the above apportionment, and $125,000 of which is to be a voluntary matter with the Churches. Our part of this $125,000 will be $30,000 and would be apportioned to each of the Churches as follows:

Apple's Chapel	$1,500.00	Berea	620.00
Belew Creek	700.00	Bethel	560.00

Bethlehem	1,500.00	Liberty (Va.)	410.00
Concord	280.00	Long's Chapel	525.00
Danville (Va.)	700.00	Lynchburg	170.00
Durham	2,450.00	Monticello	320.00
Elk Spur	75.00	Mt. Bethel	560.00
Elon College	2,450.00	Mt. Zion	355.00
Greensboro, First	2,450.00	New Hope	170.00
Greensboro, Palm Street	620.00	New Lebanon	770.00
Happy Home	700.00	Pleasant Grove (Va.)	2,080.00
Haw River	825.00	Pleasant Ridge	490.00
Hebron (Va.)	900.00	Reidsville	416.00
Hines Chapel	1,145.00	Rocky Ford	75.00
Hopedale	170.00	Salem Chapel	450.00
Howard's Chapel	320.00	Shallow Ford	700.00
Ingram (Va.)	1,050.00	Union (N. C.)	1,500.00
Kallum Grove	170.00	Union (Va.)	1,230.00
Lebanon	1,390.00		
		Total	$30,790.00

(It should be added here that all money paid by the membership of a Church for the Orphanage, woman's or other missionary society, Christian Missionary Association memberships, Elon emergency and standardization funds, Men and Millions, special missions, and personal gifts to any Convention enterprise less than $5,000 will count toward these totals.)

The Southern Convention voted to percentage this suggested benevolence budget as follows:

	Per Cent.
For missions	32
Board of Christian Education	8
Schools and colleges	40
Orphanage	20

And provided a Budget Commission to take steps to raise this money. We recommend the approval of this Conference for the action of the Southern Christian Convention, and that our Churches be individually urged to co-operate thoroughly with the officers of the Convention in raising this additional $30,000 in our bounds. We express the hope that each and every Church will take pride in the effort to raise this money in full.

We resubmit the budget as worked out by the Budget Committee, the total amount of which has already been previously adopted by the Conference. We realize that this is a very decided increase and that there are perhaps certain Churches where local conditions will make it impossible for them to raise the amount suggested. We recommend that this Conference adopt the amounts named as the goals for which we shall strive. Where the local Church feels it is impossible to reach the full goal, that they fix the highest possible amount that they believe they can raise as their goal for the coming year.

We recommend that the Board of Religious Education of the Southern Christian Convention be granted the same amount of financial help ($150.00) for the ensuing year that was granted last year, and that the chairman of the Budget Committee be requested to transmit to the pastors and secretaries of the Churches the action concerning the apportionments for the coming year.

Respectfully submitted,

H. C. SIMPSON,
L. L. WYRICK,
W. S. ALEXANDER,
P. T. KLAPP,
W. T. DUNN,
Committee.

On motion, the report of Budget Committee was adopted.

The report on superannuation was adopted, by motion, as follows:

REPORT OF SUPERANNUATION COMMITTEE.

We recommend the following as those who, in this Conference, should receive the favorable consideration of the Board of Superannuation, to share in the benevolence of our superannuation fund: Rev. J. W. Wellons, Rev. P. T. Klapp, Mrs. L. I. Cox, Mrs. C. C. Peel, Mrs. W. S. Long, Mrs. J. W. Holt, Mrs. A. F. Iseley.

Respectfully submitted,
C. D. Johnston,
J. O. Atkinson,
H. C. Simpson,
Committee.

Dr. J. O. Atkinson led the Conference in prayer in behalf of the beneficiaries of the superannuate fund, and also especially for Drs. J. W. Wellons and P. H. Fleming, who were sick.

Superintendent Chas. D. Johnston presented the claims of the Christian Orphanage.

The Committee on Moral Reform reported as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MORAL REFORM.

We recommend that we, as a Conference, go on record as favoring the prohibition amendment in the Constitution, and the Volstead act, and we call upon our representatives in Congress to use their influence to enforce the prohibition measure. We further go on record as being determined to repudiate with our ballot any candidate who bids for our suffrage and who himself repudiates in any way the present prohibition law.

We, your committee, also recommend that this Conference go on record as condemning the following:

1. The flagrant law violation that is so widespread.
2. The shielding of law violators by failure to expose.
3. Political corruption so universally extant.
4. All injustice in business.
5. Dishonesty in the use of means and opportunity.
6. Sabbath desecration, improperly supervised recreation, existing low standards of modesty, and all practices participated in by God's created children which are contrary to His will.

W. S. Alexander,
J. W. Knight,
W. E. Cook,
J. S. Carden,
Committee.

On motion, the report on moral reform was adopted.

The Committee on Stewardship reported as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON STEWARDSHIP.

One of the most encouraging signs of our times is the rapidly growing conviction that Christian stewardship, rightly taught and practiced, is basic and fundamental to the spiritual growth of the individual Christian and to the rapid spread of the cause of Christ. The Church has had more teaching and preaching on stewardship in the last ten years than in all its previous history, perhaps, but some of our Churches and Conferences are as yet untouched. The good work begun must be continued. We, therefore, recommend:

First. That all our Churches adopt and put into use the every-member canvass.

Second. That we read more of the good books to be had on the subject of stewardship.

Third. That we strive to get all members in every Church to tithe. Our Church should be a tithing Church.

Fourth. That we make use of stewardship pageants, posters and mottoes.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. C. H. ROWLAND,
J. O. ATKINSON,
Committee.

On motion, the report on stewardship was adopted.

The President appointed the following standing committees:

Executive—C. H. Rowland, Stanley C. Harrell, R. A. Whitten.
Education—J. O. Atkinson, J. U. Newman, P. H. Fleming, W. M. Jay, J. W. Wellons.
Foreign Missions—P. T. Klapp, C. E. Newman, S. A. Bennett, H. E. Crutchfield.
Sunday Schools and Christian Endeavor—T. F. Wright, J. F. Apple, J. S. Carden, W. T. Dunn, J. A. Ledbetter.
Moral Reform—W. S. Alexander, L. L. Wyrick, H. V. Simpson, J. E. McCauley, C. E. Gerringer.
Religious Literature—J. W. Patton, Dr. W. H. Boone, J. W. Knight, S. E. Madren.
Budget—W. A. Harper, H. C. Simpson, C. E. Newman.
Program—C. H. Rowland, Stanley C. Harrell, J. F. Apple.
Stewardship—G. C. Crutchfield, J. O. Atkinson, Mrs. C. H. Rowland.
Superannuation—C. D. Johnston, W. E. Cook, L. M. Clymer, J. C. McAdams.

On motion, the following were elected members of the Home Mission Board: W. B. Truitt, W. S. Alexander, Stanley C. Harrell, W. M. Jay, and C. H. Rowland, ex-officio.

The Collector reported as follows:

REPORT OF COLLECTOR.

Amount received from Churches		$3,824.49
Balance carried over from last year		34.00
Total		$3,858.49
Distributed as follows:		
To Southern Christian Convention, 75 per cent	$2,775.00	
For Convention missions	$ 860.25	
For schools and colleges	860.25	
For foreign missions	860.25	
For Convention fund	194.25	
Total	$2,775.00	
To home missions	499.50	

To ministerial education	92.50	
To Conference fund	193.49	
To superannuation	148.00	
To Board of Religious Education, S. C. C	150.00	
Total		$3,858.49

H. V. SIMPSON,
Collector.

On motion, the report of Collector was adopted.

The Committee on Resolutions reported as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS.

Resolved: First, That we express our gratitude and appreciation to the officers of this session of Conference for their faithful and efficient services in conducting so harmoniously and satisfactorily the business and work of Conference.

Second, That we express by rising vote our heartfelt and sincere thanks to the pastor, members and friends of New Lebanon Church and community for their royal hospitality and abundant entertainment during the Conference.

Respectfully submitted,

J. O. ATKINSON,
J. S. CARDEN,
Committee.

On motion, the report was adopted by a rising vote.

The people of New Lebanon Church extended a rising vote of thanks and appreciation for the privilege of entertaining the Conference.

The Auditing Committee reported as follows:

REPORT OF AUDITING COMMITTEE.

We have examined the accounts of H. C. Simpson, Treasurer, and find them to be correct, as follows:

Balance brought forward last year	$ 64.41
Amount received from Churches	3,544.09
Total receipts	$3,608.50
By amount paid out	3,574.50
To balance on hand	$ 34.00

We recommend the payment of $5.00 to the Central Publishing Company for printing the programs for this session of Conference.

L. M. CLYMER,
CHAS. D. JOHNSTON,
Auditing Committee.

On motion, the report of the Auditing Committee was adopted.

The report of Committee on Place of Meeting was submitted as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PLACE OF MEETING.

Monticello, Bethel and Lebanon Churches have extended an invitation to hold the next session with them. Either of these Churches will be a good place for

the Conference to meet. We recommend, however, that Bethel Church, Caswell County, N. C., be the place for holding the next session.

L. L. WYRICK,
Chairman Committee.

On motion, the report was adopted, and Bethel Church selected as the next place of meeting.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MEMOIRS.

The silent reaper has been busy during the cycles of the years, not only among our own, but also within other communions as well. Within the last year some of the most honored, distinguished and beloved brethren have entered the Church triumphant on high.

Among those in our own Conference whom we are called to mourn, your committee would mention Prof. Walter Phalti Lawrence, late of Elon College, N. C., who was graduated from our college there and was also for many years a splendid teacher therein. Every one was shocked when it was announced by telephone that he had died in High Point, N. C., during the night of June 1, 1926. Some time near midnight, it is supposed, while he was in the embrace of natural sleep, his sun of life went down, and his seat is vacant.

He was prominent in the business, social, moral and religious affairs of his community, and attentive to civic obligations, discharging fearlessly, faithfully and well the duties of every position in life to which he was called. He solved the great mysteries of life and death, and gladly awaits us on the eternal shore. He has left to us the sweet and inspiring influence of an upright and noble Christian character.

His splendid personality and loving spirit commanded the admiration and respect of all who knew him. He was strong of intellect; a modest, manly man, of potent determination, but with a warm and gentle heart. We shall miss him in our Conference, in our Church, and in our State. His seat is forever vacant, but his influence lives.

J. W. PATTON,
R. A. WHITTEN,
T. FRED WRIGHT,
Committee.

Moved and carried that the Secretary be requested to send report of the Conference session to *The Christian Sun.*

Moved and carried that all Church letters be sent to the Secretary of Conference not later than November 5th, and that a committee be appointed to make a chart of the same.

Revs. G. C. Crutchfield and W. M. Jay were appointed the committee to chart the Church letters.

Moved and carried that the minutes of Conference be printed in THE CHRISTIAN ANNUAL, and that two hundred copies of THE ANNUAL be taken by the Conference for pro rata distribution among the Churches.

Moved and carried that the Chairman of the Budget Committee be requested to transmit to the pastors and secretaries of the Churches the action concerning the apportionments for the coming year.

Moved and carried that Rev. M. F. Allen be granted a letter of transfer to the Eastern Virginia Christian Conference.

Moved and carried that the Secretary of Conference be paid $25.00 for his services.

The President, as directed by the vote of Conference, licensed Bro. Silas E. Madren as a probationer to preach the gospel.

Moved and carried that the Conference adjourn to meet with Bethel Christian Church, Caswell County, N. C., on Tuesday following the second Sunday in November, 1927.

Scripture reading and devotional service conducted by Dr. C. H. Rowland, who closed the Conference with the benediction.

C. H. Rowland, *President.*

Greensboro, N. C.

Stanley C. Harrell, *Secretary.*

Durham, N. C.

MINISTERIAL REPORTS.

W. S. Alexander—Church: Elon College. Sermons, 50; addresses, 6; conversions, 8; baptisms, 7; members received, 21; pastoral visits, 250; marriage, 1; funerals, 2. Salary, $2,000.

M. F. Allen—Church: United Christian, Lynchburg. Sermons, 164; addresses, 4; conversions, 25; baptisms, 9; members received, 14; pastoral visits, 290; marriages, 4; funerals, 7. Salary, $1,200. Transferred to Eastern Virginia Christian Conference.

J. F. Apple—Churches: Bethlehem (A), Bethel, Hopedale. Sermons, 70; conversions, 32; baptisms, 25; members received, 25; pastoral visits, 130; marriages, 3; funerals, 5. Salary, $608.98.

J. O. Atkinson—Mission Secretary Southern Christian Convention; editor *The Christian Sun*. Sermons, 75; addresses, 50; marriages, 2; funerals, 3.

Simon A. Bennett—Professor in Elon College. Sermons, 12; addresses, 15. Salary, $2,100.

J. S. Carden—Churches: Antioch, Damascus, Belew Creek, Mt. Pleasant. Sermons, 90; conversions, many; baptisms, 8; members received, 25; funerals, 3. Salary, $800.

H. E. Crutchfield—Churches: Pleasant Hill, Mt. Zion, Liberty (Vance), Mt. Bethel, Kallam Grove. Sermons, 135; addresses, 7; conversions, 35; baptisms, 9; members received, 8; pastoral visits, 275; funerals, 5. Salary, $1,095.

G. C. Crutchfield—Received to membership at present session.

T. B. Dawson—Sermons, 6; addresses, 6; visits, 75.

P. H. Fleming—Churches: Union (N. C.), Haw River, Long's Chapel. Sermons, 83; addresses, 2; baptisms, 9; members received, 18; pastoral visits, 141; marriages, 7; funerals, 13. Salary, $965.60.

C. E. Gerringer—No report.

H. B. Hall—Church: Elm Avenue, Portsmouth, Va. Sermons, 90; addresses, 9; conversions, 13; baptisms, 6; members received, 37; pastoral visits, 400; marriages, 3; funerals, 2; salary, $1,800. Dropped from Conference roll, united with Methodist Episcopal Church.

Stanley C. Harrell—Churches: Durham, O'Kelly's Chapel. Sermons, 118; addresses, 8; conversions, 8; baptisms, 10; members received, 15; pastoral visits, 200; marriages, 11; funerals, 9. Salary, $2,400.

W. M. Jay—Received to membership at present session.

P. T. Klapp—Churches: Berea, Morrisville. Sermons, 80; members received, 2; pastoral visits, 357; marriages, 2; funerals, 4. Salary, $411.

J. W. Knight—Churches: New Lebanon, Howard's Chapel, Moore Union, Graces Chapel, Shallow Well, Poplar Branch. Sermons, 105; addresses, 4; conversions, 70; baptisms, 35; members received, 55; pastoral visits, 100; marriage, 1; funerals, 18. Salary, $1,300.

J. A. Ledbetter—Churches: Danville, Palm Street, Greensboro. Sermons, 140; addresses, 15; conversions, 20; baptisms, 6; members received, 10; pastoral visits, 1,500; marriage, 1. Salary, $1,500.

S. M. Lynam—No report.

J. E. McCauley—Church: Westside Presbyterian, Nashville, Tenn. Sermons, 104; address, 1. Student in Vanderbilt University.

C. E. Newman—Churches: Union (Va.), Liberty (Va.), Hebron, Lebanon. Sermons, 95; addresses, 6; conversions, 45; baptisms, 40; pastoral visits, 300; marriages, 10; funerals, 12. Salary, $1,000.

J. U. Newman—Professor in Elon College. Sermons, 4; addresses, 6; marriages, 5; funerals, 2.

J. W. Patton—No charge. Sermons, 15; addresses, many. Masonic lecturer.

C. H. Rowland—Church: Greensboro, First Church. Sermons, 103; addresses, 6; baptisms, 20; members received, 29; pastoral visits, 1,125; marriages, 14; funerals, 5. Salary, $3,000.

H. Shelton Smith—Director of leadership training of International Council of Religious Education.

W. T. Scott—No report. Student Yale divinity school.

W. W. Skellette—No report.

J. W. Wellons—Chaplain Masonic and Eastern Star Home, Greensboro. Preached one sermon during the year, on the occasion of one hundredth birthday; attended the dedication of the Mooney Christian Education Building; held many morning services for the home; offered prayers for the sick and distressed.

R. A. Whitten—Churches: Reidsville and Monticello. Sermons, 150; address, 1; conversions, 12; baptisms, 12; members received, 21; pastoral visits, 700; marriages, 7; funerals, 19. Salary, $1,400.

T. Fred Wright—Churches: Pleasant Grove, Ingram. Sermons, 79; addresses, 6; conversions, 20; baptisms, 21; members received, 22; pastoral visits, 300; marriage, 1; funerals, 5. Salary, $900.

L. L. Wyrick—Churches: Concord, Happy Home. Sermons, 74; addresses, 10; conversions, 31; baptisms, 25; members received, 31; pastoral visits, 353; marriages, 2; funerals, 4. Salary, $395.

R. H. Coble—Licentiate; no charge. Sermons, 3; prayer meetings, 20; conversions, 8. Salary, $9.

I. T. Underwood—No charge. Sermons, 25; funeral, 1; offering received, $60.

W. J. B. Hines—No report.

S. E. Madren—Licensed at present session.

CHURCH	PASTOR	SECRETARY and ADDRESS	Members Reported Last Year	Present Membership
Apples Chapel	T. J. Green	Mrs. R. E. Apple, Brown Summit,	387	406
Belew Creek	G. C. Crutchfield	Jas. G. Fulton, Belew Creek, N. C.	119	121
Berea	G. C. Crutchfield	Lynn Warren, Elon College, N. C.	140	130
Bethel	J. F. Apple	Mrs. Ida P. Murray, Corbitt, N. C.	132	145
Bethlehem	J. F. Apple	Clyde Iseley, Burlington, N. C.	423	421
Concord	L. L. Wyrick	G. G. Anderson, Altamahaw, N. C.	81	87
Danville	M. T. Sorrell	Mrs. J. E Jones, 1421 Washington St.	109	106
Durham	S. C. Harrell	A. T. Crutchfield, 526 Carr St., Durham	341	349
Elk Spur	J. A. Ledbetter	Miss Rose Meredith, Fancy Gap, Va.	47	58
Elon College	W. S. Alexander	J. C. McAdams, Elon College, N. C.	353	364
Greensboro First	C. H. Rowland	R. G. Moffitt, 218 E. Bragg Street.	376	393
Greensboro Palm St.	M. T. Sorrell	A. H. Hinshaw, Gen. Del., Greensboro	120	107
Happy Home	L. L. Wyrick	Mrs. G. W. Hill, R. 3, Ruffin, N. C.	146	161
Haw River	P. H. Fleming	Miss Rosa Best, Haw River, N. C.	178	174
Hebron	C. E. Newman	T. C. Moore, Nelson, Va.	121	128
Hines' Chapel	T. J. Green	L. V. Smith, McLeansville, N. C.	214	211
Hopedale	J. F. Apple	R. H. Coble, R. 5, Burlington, N. C.	72	73
Howard's Chapel	J. W. Knight	W. B. Madison, Wentworth, N. C.	52	53
Ingram	T. F. Wright	Miss Pattie Adams, Ingram, Va.	145	147
Kallam's Grove	G. C. Crutchfield	D. F. Wilson, R. 2, Madison, N. C.	29	29
Lebanon	C. E. Newman	T. J. Earp, Milton, N. C.	116	115
Liberty	C. E. Newman	B. E. Bray, Nathalie, Va.	108	118
Long's Chapel	P. H. Fleming	J. Walter Johnson, Burlington, N. C.	139	142
Monticello	R. A. Whitten	Miss Russell McKinney, Brown Summit	54	54
Mt. Bethel	G. C. Crutchfield	Miss Ethel Friddle, Stokesdale, N. C.	100	100
Mt. Zion	H. E. Crutchfield	G. F. Carden, Watson, N. C.	90	91
New Hope			24	24
*New Lebanon	J. W. Knight	W. G. Sharpe, Wentworth, N. C.	136	119
Pleasant Grove	T. F. Wright	Mrs. D. J. Sipe, News Ferry, Va.	342	348
Pleasant Ridge	W. C. Wicker	C. D. Nelson, Greensboro, N. C.	62	76
*Reidsville	R. A. Whitten	Mrs. C. W. Gerringer, Reidsville, N. C.	254	242
Rocky Ford	J. A... Ledbetter	Mrs. Flora McCrary, Cana, Va.	36	41
Salem Chapel	J. L. Foster	Miss Selma Marshall, Walnut Cove, N. C.	123	127
Shallow Ford	T. J. Green	W. D. Walker, R. 6, Burlington, N. C.	143	143
Union (N. C.)	P. H. Fleming	G. R. Graham, R. 3, Burlington, N. C.	295	294
Union (Va.)	C. E. Newman	J. R. Murray, Virgilina, Va.	385	401
United		John Evers, R. 2, Lynchburg, Va.	77	87
Total			5949	6185

Conference—Church Statistics.

Conference Apportionment.	Paid on Conference Apportionment.	Special Mission Offering.	Amount Sent to Orphanage.	All Other Benevolences.	Pastor's Salary.	Amount Spent on Building.	All Other Expenses	Total Amount Raised.	Value of Church Property.
225.00	$ 105.01	$ 57.04	$ 45.21	.....	$ 365.00	.....	$ 205.10	$ 777.36	$12,000
100.00	50.00	8.00	13.00	.....	225.00	43.00	85.00	424.00	1,700
90.00	50.00	.....	51.18	.....	250.00	1,185.00	90.32	1,626.50	4,500
80.00	80.00	.....	6.75	.....	200.00	.....	3.25	290.00	1,700
225.00	225.00	.....	.....	.....	300.00	75.00	322.04	922.04	4,200
40.00	40.00	.....	.....	.....	200.00	165.00	31.00	436.00	700
100.00	26.00	10.11	81.58	$ 182.54	750.00	55.00	.....	1,105.23	6,000
500.00	500.00	976.35	439.82	156.85	2,400.00	353.58	1,646.01	6,473.21	50,000
10.00	.....	.....	7.00	.....	20.00	.....	11.20	38.20	5,600
350.00	350.00	512.71	60.00	680.69	1,000.00	657.60	474.88	3,735.88	7,000
500.00	500.00	675.92	357.46	86.41	3,000.00	230.22	6,459.10	11,309.11	51,500
90.00	.....	85.13	60.27	15.00	700.00	.....	177.65	1,038.05	6,000
100.00	65.00	38.18	21.40	.....	225.00	.....	65.55	415.13	1,500
120.00	75.00	64.20	61.23	83.37	250.00	440.60	1,634.70	2,609.10	4,500
130.00	54.51	.....	.....	.....	200.00	.....	90.50	345.01	2,000
165.00	165.00	12.50	12.50	.....	400.00	.....	.....	590.00	3,500
25.00	.....	10.47	36.73	18.54	107.67	73.00	65.00	311.41	3,500
45.00	45.00	.....	9.00	.....	117.00	50.00	64.00	285.00	1,500
150.00	125.00	39.40	57.00	78.00	400.00	500.00	73.00	1,272.40	2,500
25.00	5.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5.00	500
200.00	150.00	150.00	50.00	.....	300.00	.....	182.52	832.52	2,300
60.00	50.00	13.50	16.38	10.00	200.00	.....	118.60	408.48	1,200
75.00	32.30	.....	10.00	.....	200.00	.....	30.00	272.30	4,000
45.00	45.00	44.40	23.95	.....	200.00	109.18	81.57	504.10	4,000
90.00	85.00	19.56	49.89	.....	250.00	441.55	31.58	877.58	2,450
50.00	50.00	8.00	16.00	.....	204.75	.....	11.00	289.75	1,500
25.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1,800
110.00	110.00	47.00	89.00	60.00	200.00	78.50	.....	584.50	1,500
300.00	150.00	176.00	104.00	.....	800.00	.....	232.00	1,462.00	4,000
70.00	70.00	50.00	59.00	36.45	200.00	.....	81.80	497 25	1,000
60.00	60.00	178.44	101.90	.....	1,200.00	1,100.00	1,206.85	3,844.19	24,000
10.00	10.00	.....	4.65	.....	.....	.....	43.49	58.14	3,000
65.00	51.67	35.50	59.85	.....	300.00	.....	131.70	578.72	2,000
100.00	100.00	33.41	22.43	54.01	250.00	.....	141.00	600.85	2,500
225.00	225.00	28.85	.....	.....	500.00	.....	132.04	885.89	6,000
175.00	175.00	80.00	65.00	10.00	300.00	.....	430.00	1,060.00	2,500
25.00	.....	257.18	43.62	35.00	1,200.00	400.00	125.00	2,060.80	7,000
$4,755.00	$3,824.49	$3,611.85	$2,035.80	$,506.86	$17,414.42	$5,957.23	$14,478.05	$48,828.70	$241,150

Proceedings of the One Hundred and First Annual Session of the Eastern North Carolina Christian Conference.

OAK LEVEL CHRISTIAN CHURCH,
FRANKLIN COUNTY, YOUNGSVILLE, N. C.
November 23-25, 1926.

FIRST DAY—MORNING SESSION.

The Eastern North Carolina Christian Conference met in annual session at Oak Level, Franklin County, Christian Church, on Tuesday morning, November 23, 1926, and was called to order by the Secretary, Rev. W. C. Wicker, as the President, Rev. H. C. Caveness, had transferred to the Eastern Virginia Christian Conference.

In the absence of Rev. J. E. Franks, appointed for devotional service, Rev. M. T. Sorrell performed this duty. Song service was led by Rev. J. A. Denton. Prayer was offered after the song service and Scripture reading.

The roll of ministers was called, and the following were enrolled: J. E. Franks, Raleigh, Route 4; B. J. Howard, Chapel Hill; J. Lee Johnson, Fuquay Springs; M. T. Sorrell, Elon College; J. D. Wicker, Sanford; W. C. Wicker, Elon College; R. L. Williamson, Sanford.

The roll of Churches was called, and the following delegates were enrolled:

ROLL OF CHURCHES AND DELEGATES.

Amelia—
Antioch—
Auburn—Miss Myrtle Phillips, E. J. Poole.
Bethel—
Bethlehem—
Beulah—J. B. Edwards, L. P. Scarborough.
Cary—
Catawba Springs—D. L. Mann, Geo. M. McCullers, J. M. Murray.
Chapel Hill—Mrs. O. D. Neville, Miss Vila Ruth Long.
Christian Chapel—J. J. Reynolds.
Christian Light—
Clayton—Mrs. J. W. Breedlove.
Damascus—D. A. McLennan.
Ebenezer—
Franklinton—Mrs. H. E. Pearce, R. M. Mitchell.
Fullers—W. S. Briggs, J. F. Coghill, Jr.

Good Hope—
Hayes Chapel—W. S. Stone.
Henderson—H. W. Passavant, B. H. Nelson, J. E. Harward.
Lee Chapel—Miss Bessie Gunter, Miss Mary Cashion.
Lebanon—
Liberty—W. S. Ayscue, Mrs. W. S. Ayscue, G. W. Eaves, Mrs. R. J. Newton.
Martha Chapel—W. H. Lassiter, J. B. Morgan.
Mebane—Mrs. H. L. Jones, Miss Lillie Fowler.
Moore Union—
Morrisville—Miss Lessie Pugh.
Mt. Auburn—Thos. Tucker, Floyd Fleming, W. W. Kimball, J. F. Hilliard.
Mt. Carmel—B. F. Morton, W. B. Wright.
Mt. Gilead—J. E. Nelms, Mrs. L. P. Perdue.
Mt. Hermon—
New Elam—W. M. Goodwin.
New Hill—Mrs. E. M. Holt, Mrs. Iola Sharp, Miss Electa Hearn.
New Hope—W. R. Rogers, Billie Denton.
Oak Level—W. H. Frazier, J. I. White, W. H. Hudson.
O'Kelly's—
Piney Plains—G. C. Oliver, W. R. Patrick.
Pleasant Hill—Booker Creech.
Pleasant Union—Hugh Green, Miss Buie Long, Miss Lula Green.
Plymouth—S. M. Rowland, Kenneth Jones.
Popes Chapel—Miss Ethel Holmes, J. W. Suits.
Raleigh—Prof. L. L. Vaughan, Mrs. L. L. Vaughan.
Sanford—J. U. Gunter, J. W. Thomas, Mrs. R. L. Williamson.
Shallow Well—R. Lee Watson.
Six Forks—J. T. Moore, Miss Eva Lynn.
Turner's Chapel—Miss Ida Wicker.
Wake Chapel—Chas. N. Johnson, Mrs. Chas. N. Johnson, Mrs. A. F. Smith.
Wentworth—W. M. Rowland, J. Milton Banks.
Youngsville—

There being a quorum present, Conference elected the following officers:

President—George T. Whitaker.
Vice-President—Charles N. Johnson.
Secretary—Rev. W. C. Wicker.
Treasurer—W. J. Ballentine.

On motion, the program prepared by the committee was adopted as the order of business.

In the absence of the pastor, Rev. J. Fuller Johnson, Bro. W. H.

Hudson made the welcome address, extending a cordial welcome to all delegates, ministers and visitors.

Bro. C. O. Eaves, of Liberty Church, made the response to the address of welcome on behalf of the Conference.

Revs. F. D. Ballard, pastor of Henderson Church; H. C. Caviness, transferred to Eastern Virginia Conference; E. M. Carter, pastor of Franklinton Church; J. L. Foster, of the North Carolina and Virginia Conference, were invited to seats as deliberative members, and each graciously accepted the invitation with appropriate remarks.

After singing "Coronation," led by Rev. J. A. Denton, the Conference was greatly edified by the Conference sermon preached by Rev. H. C. Caviness, the retiring President, upon the text, Acts 9:4, "Why Persecutest, Thou, Me?"

Rev. W. W. Staley, D. D., Rev. N. G. Newman, D. D., Rev. J. H. Lightbourne, D. D., of the Eastern Virginia Christian Conference, were invited to seats as deliberative members, and each accepted the invitation extended by fraternal greetings.

On motion, at the request of an ordaining presbytery composed of the foregoing ministers, the ordaining ceremony of Rev. F. D. Ballard was made a special order on the program immediately before adjournment tomorrow at noon.

FIRST DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

Song service was led by Rev. J. A. Denton. Devotional service was conducted by Rev. J. Lee Johnson.

Delegates from several Churches were enrolled, and the Church letters were called for and handed in by delegates.

Revs. P. T. Klapp and E. C. Brady, ministers serving Churches in this Conference, were invited to seats as deliberative members, and each accepted the courtesy extended with words of counsel and fraternal greeting.

The following vacancies were filled on committees:

Home Missions—J. U. Gunter and R. N. Mitchell.
Social Service—Miss Margaret Alston.
Apportionments—B. H. Nelson.
Finance—Chas. N. Johnson, J. F. Hilliard, J. B. Edwards.

The report of the Executive Committee was submitted and adopted, as follows:

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

Your Executive Committee begs leave to report that during the year the following business has been transacted:

First. At the request of Bro. G. A. Pearce, a licentiate of this Conference, and of the Educational Committee, your committee authorized Dr. W. W. Staley, with such other ministers of the Eastern Virginia Christian Conference as he might select, to examine Brother Pearce for ordination according to the rules and regulations of the Christian Church, and, in case he passed a satisfactory examination, to conduct the ordination service. Dr. Staley reported that the examination was passed in a satisfactory manner and that Bro. Pearce was duly ordained by Dr. W. W. Staley under this authority.

Second. Your committee, upon the recommendation of the Educational Committee, revoked the license of A. R. Brothers and published our action in *The Christian Sun.*

Third. Your committee, upon the approval of the Educational Committee, granted a letter of transfer to Rev. H. C. Caviness, commending him to the Eastern Virginia Christian Conference for membership.

Fourth. Your committee accepted the cordial invitation of Oak Level Church to hold the annual Conference with this Church at this session.

Fifth. Your committee authorized the call for fifth Sunday meetings at Wake Chapel in February, and at Liberty in August. These meetings were held and devoted to the study of problems pertaining to the good of the Conference and to the advancement of the kingdom.

Respectfully submitted,
H. C. CAVINESS,
J. LEE JOHNSON,
W. C. WICKER,
Committee.

The Treasurer's report was submitted, read, and referred to the Committee on Finance, composed of Chas. N. Johnson, J. F. Hilliard, and J. B. Edwards.

Ministerial reports were called for, and read by the several ministers present.

Reports on stewardship and social service were postponed on account of the committees being unprepared to submit reports when called for by the program.

The report of the Committee on Religious Literature was submitted by Rev. R. L. Williamson, chairman. The report was discussed and adopted, as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RELIGIOUS LITERATURE.

Children are greatly influenced by what they see from day to day. The Bible, though it may not be read so much as it should be, yet if it occupies a prominent place in the home, it is constantly making a silent appeal to the young lives.

So it may be said of other good books and periodicals in the home, that they exert a character-forming influence that is beyond computation. To those who desire the best for themselves and for their children, our publishing houses offer a line of books and periodicals that rank with the best.

We think *The Christian Sun* and *The Christian Missionary* should be regular visitors in every home. In addition, we would recommend our Sunday School literature as best suited to our people, and *The Herald of Gospel Liberty* as one of the best denominational organs published.

Our publishing houses also offer a fine line of Bibles, and in addition to the books especially helpful to our people, they furnish any good book desired. We should patronize our own publishing houses.

We recommend that our pastors lead their people in a campaign to place *The Christian Sun* in every home in their respective fields by February 1, 1927.

Respectfully submitted,
R. L. WILLIAMSON,
MRS. A. F. SMITH,
BRITTON J. HOWARD,
Committee.

As Press Committee, J. U. Gunter, E. M. Carter, R. L. Williamson, and F. D. Ballard were appointed and the committee was instructed to report our proceedings to the daily and local papers.

The Committee on Entertainment made a report and assigned homes to the delegates, ministers and visitors.

On motion, seventy-five per cent of the money raised on Conference apportionments by this Conference will be paid to the Southern Christian Convention; five per cent of this amount will be designated for Christian education, as requested by the Convention, and seventy per cent will be appropriated in the same ratio as hitherto. The motion was carried.

The Conference adjourned until tomorrow morning at 9:30 o'clock.

SECOND DAY—MORNING SESSION.

The Conference was called to order by the President at 9:30 A. M. Song service was conducted by Rev. J. A. Denton. The devotional service was led by Rev. E. M. Carter by reading Psalm 91 and prayer.

The minutes of the first day were read and approved, and delegates from several Churches were enrolled.

Dr. J. O. Atkinson, Mission Secretary, was invited to a seat as a deliberative member of Conference, and he accepted the courtesy extended with fraternal greetings.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON EVANGELISM.

Your Committee on Evangelism reports the work of this department in good condition. Our ministers and Churches have labored faithfully through the year. We are glad to report that a large number of our Churches have availed themselves of Brother Caviness' services during the year, and many of our pastors have held successful evangelistic meetings.

We recommend for the following year:

First. Each Church to have an all-year program of evangelism.

Second. Our Churches and ministers should emphasize the necessity of the new birth or regeneration as a condition for salvation.

Third. That recommendations third and fourth of our report last year be carried out with this year's program.

Fourth. That each Church should keep a record of work accomplished by their program of evangelism.

Respectfully submtited,
M. T. SORRELL,
D. L. MANN,
Committee.

Adopted.

The budget plan of the Southern Christian Convention was discussed and explained by Rev. J. O. Atkinson, D. D.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS AND CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR.

We have found an increasing interest in the Sunday School and Christian Endeavor work in this Conference. More Sunday Schools are organizing for departmental work and using graded lessons; a large number of teachers are preparing themselves more thoroughly for their work either by taking teacher-training courses or by reading books on teaching; more literature is being requested, and the Board of Religious Education is being used more in this Conference. Several new Christian Endeavor Societies have been organized, and there is a deeper interest in this work because of efforts of the Christian Endeavor Union.

The Sunday School and Christian Endeavor Convention, held at Wake Chapel in July, was one of the best held in this Conference, with helpful emphasis placed on practical demonstrations and methods of Sunday School work. The officers for the ensuing year are: president, L. L. Vaughan, Raleigh, N. C.; vice-president, H. W. Johnson, Fuquay Springs, N. C.; secretary, J. Fuller Johnson, Fuquay Springs, N. C., and treasurer, C. H. Stephenson, Raleigh, N. C. The next session will be held in the Damascus Church, near Chapel Hill, Tuesday and Wednesday after the second Sunday in July.

Since the last Conference the Christian Endeavor Union has been quite active, holding three quarterly meetings with splendid programs and good attendance. The officers of this union are: president, Galen Elliott; vice-president, Ruth Johnson; secretary, G. W. Eaves.

PLANS FOR THE ENSUING YEAR.

This committee has worked with the Board of Christian Education of the Southern Convention in promoting Sunday School and Christian Endeavor work, as each member of the committee is directly connected with the board, also with the Christian Endeavor Union.

The Christian Endeavor Union will hold a meeting with the Henderson Church December 11th and 12th. A splendid program has been planned, and every effort possible is being put forward to secure a large representation of young people. Dr. J. H. Lightbourne, C. H. Stephenson, and Prof. L. L. Vaughan have been invited to speak.

At least two, and perhaps three, district Children's Division Institutes have been planned for this Conference as soon after Christmas as possible; also some Young People's Institutes and visits to local Churches in the interest of Sunday School and Christian Endeavor.

RECOMMENDATIONS.

1. That each pastor of this Conference so arrange his revival meetings that none will come during the Elon Summer Training School, which will be held at Elon College, N. C., July 25th to August 3, 1927. That the second week in July of each year be set aside as S. S. & C. E. Week, and every Church be urged to be represented with a full report and a live delegation.

2. That each pastor of the Conference who possibly can, arrange to attend the Summer School at Elon, and that each Church send at least one representative, paying all or part of the expenses.

3. We recommend the Daily Vacation Bible Schools as a splendid means of giving additional training in religion to boys and girls, and that they be held wherever possible.

4. That each young people's organization in the Conference get in touch with the Christian Endeavor Union. This applies to Young People's Mission-

ary Societies, organized classes, Christian Endeavor Societies, and to Churches where none of these organizations exist, but where there are young people.

5. That the Field Secretary of the Board of Christian Education be called upon for assistance in the Sunday School and Christian Endeavor Societies wherever help is needed.

C. H. STEPHENSON, *Chairman,*
PATTIE L. COGHILL,
RUTH JOHNSON,
Committee.

The hour for the special order having arrived, the ordination service of Rev. F. D. Ballard was conducted by Rev. W. W. Staley, D. D., Rev. N. G. Newman, D. D., and Rev. J. H. Lightbourne, D. D., as ordaining presbytery from the Eastern Virginia Christian Conference. Rev. E. M. Carter presented the candidate for ordination, Dr. Staley read the Scripture and led the prayer, Dr. Lightbourne made the charge, and Dr. Newman presented the Bible. The service was impressive and beautiful. "Blest Be the Tie that Binds" was sung, and the service was closed with the benediction by Rev. F. D. Ballard, who was ordained.

The ministers present extended the right hand of fellowship, and Conference adjourned for dinner. Prayer by Rev. J. E. Franks.

SECOND DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

Song service was led by Rev. J. A. Denton. Conference was called to order at 1:30 P. M. by the President. Devotional service was conducted by Rev. J. L. Foster by reading thirty-seventh Psalm, comments and prayer.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Jesus Christ Himself was a missionary, and that to a foreign field—the world. He did what He came to do, and on leaving the field, told those whom He had appointed to go ahead with the work and never let us. Paul felt the burden of this task and went about it in no uncertain way, declaring he was an ambassidor for God to preach Jesus Christ to the whole world. Many since his day have been moved by the same power to carry on this great work of evangelizing the world. Shall we of today, who were once in darkness, but now have the light, and that by the gospel of missions, sit still or lag and hinder the spread of His salvation? God forbid.

We rejoice and thank God that the work in our own field is still going on, but deplore the little we are doing in the face of the great, great need.

We, your committee, therefore, recommend:

1. That prayer and supplication be made to Him who said, "Pray, ye, therefore, the Lord of the harvest, that He will send forth laborers into His harvest," and that He will not only send laborers, but also give us a willingness to support them.

2. That we encourage, in every possible way, the woman's and young people's mission work which has already become such an asset to our mission cause.

3. That missions be preached in all our Churches by all our pastors on particular occasions that may be designated, and also taught in Sunday School, with spceial offerings thereto.

MRS. L. L. VAUGHAN,
J. MILTON BANKS,
J. U. GUNTER,
J. LEE JOHNSON,
Committee.

Adopted.

An address was made on "Missions" by Rev. J. O. Atkinson, D. D., Mission Secretary, and also upon "The Christian Orphanage," as proxy for Bro. Chas. D. Johnston, superintendent.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

We, your Committee on Finance, beg to report that we have examined the report of W. J. Ballentine, Treasurer of this Conference, and find the same to be correct.

We recommend that the Secretary of Conference be paid $25.00 for his services.

We also recommend that the following bills be paid:

To Central Publishing Co., programs 1925-'6..... $9.00
To Secretary of Conference, for expenses..... 2.00

Itemized statements attached showing the correctness of the accounts.

Respectfully submitted,
CHAS. N. JOHNSON,
J. F. HILLIARD,
J. B. EDWARDS,
Committee.

Adopted.

On motion, Rev. S. A. Bennett, Rev. G. H. Veasey, and Rev. S. E. Maddren were invited to seats as deliberative members of Conference and were introduced. Rev. S. A. Bennett addressed the Conference on "Something Extra," or "The Unfinished Task."

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON HOME MISSIONS.

The work at Antioch, Bethlehem and Cary Churches has been under the direction of our committee, the chairman acting as pastor.

Antioch has had a successful year, resulting in an increase of attendance, a successful revival with seventeen additions to the roll. Sufficient money has been raised to paint and cover the Church. The pastor's salary and Conference apportionment were raised in full, with a pledged increase of pastor's salary for next year.

The outlook for Bethlehem is not so encouraging, although a substantial increase in interest is in evidence, which gives hope of possible success. The Church enjoyed a real revival; however, there were only six additions to the membership. The attendance is necessarily small because of the few whites and the densely colored population. The pastor's salary and Conference apportionment were raised in full, with a pledge of a small increase in salary for next year.

The new organization at Cary has not grown in numbers and interest, as we anticipated. The need of a regular worshiping place accounts in part for this lack of interest. The offer to buy the old Baptist Church was refused by the co-operation of your committee and the Church with an agreement that a

vacant lot should be purchased on which to build. This was done at a cost of $400.00 for the lot. However, later, through the advice of Dr. J. O. Atkinson, Mission Secretary, the old Baptist Church was purchased at quite a reduced price from the first offer, and said lot exchanged in part payment for the same. We trust that time will prove the wisdom of this action, as the Church now has a place of worship of its own. No revival has been held, but ten members have been added during the year.

While this committee has not been identified with the new organization at Caroleigh, near Raleigh, we are reliably informed that they have a very active membership, and are represented with a delegate to this Conference.

We recommend that Clayton Church, through this Conference to the North Carolina Conference, be granted the privilege of selling thirty feet from the east end of the Church lot of 105x210, leaving the size of the lot 105x180, for the sum of $200.00, which amount is to be applied on endebtedness for seats.

On account of a misunderstanding on the part of this committee as to the percentage this committee was to receive from the Conference funds, the chairman, J. E. Franks, paid to the Cary Church $100.00 of his own funds, and when this amount was asked of the Treasurer of the Conference, the Treasurer advised Bro. Franks that there were no more funds available. This has reference to last year's account.

We, therefore, recommend that Bro. J. E. Franks be paid out of this year's funds the sum of $100.00 to reimburse him, and that we appropriate $75.00 to Antioch Church, to be paid quarterly, on pastor's salary; and $75.00 to Bethlehem Church, to be paid quarterly, on pastor's salary.

We also recommend that the balance of the money for home missions be paid to the Cary Church, to be paid quarterly, on pastor's salary, provided a pastor can be secured who will be approved by this committee.

J. U. GUNTER,
J. E. FRANKS,
JOHN MURRAY,
Committee

REPORT OF TREASURER.

1925.			
Nov. 20.	Balance on hand		$ 29.86
26.	Received from collections		2,165.98
	Received from L. G. Gunter (note)		35 00
			$2,230.84

DISBURSEMENTS.

Dec. 18.	By W. C. Wicker, Treas., schools and colleges	$ 494.75	
	By W. C. Wicker, Treas., Convention missions	494.75	
	By W. C. Wicker, Treas., foreign missions	494.75	
	By W. C. Wicker, Treas., Convention fund	111.72	
	By W. C. Wicker, Secy., service	25.00	
	By W. C. Wicker, Sec., engraving certificates	2.00	
	By Rev. J. F. Johnson, expenses	6.40	
	By W. C. Wicker, Treas., superannuated	85.14	
	By W. C. Wicker, Treas., ministerial education	53.20	
	By N. C. Conference loan fund	10.00	
1926.			
Jan. 1.	P. J. Kernodle, ANNUALS	100.00	
July 15.	Rev. J. E. Franks, H. M. fund	150.00	
Nov. 11.	Rev. J. E. Franks, H. M. fund	150.00	
			2,177.71
Nov. 22.	Balance on hand		$ 53.13

The Treasurer reported the following Churches delinquent in making reports to Conference: Bethel, Bethlehem, Christian Light, Clayton, Ebenezer, Moore Union, and Mt. Hermon. He also reported that the collections at this Conference amounted to $1,955.21.

On motion, the Executive Committee was authorized to receive Caroleigh Church into this Conference as soon as the petition for admission was presented in regular form, as provided in the "Principles and Government of the Christian Church."

Piney Plains was selected as the place for the next annual Conference, and a motion prevailed that the opening session would begin at 2 o'clock in the afternoon on Monday before Thanksgiving, and that Conference would close with the afternoon session on Wednesday before Thanksgiving.

REPORT OF STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE.

We, your Committee on Stewardship, submit the following report:

The Church in this age needs to go forward in its program. In order to do this, it needs our whole-hearted financial support. After careful thought, we realize that we owe to God ourselves and what we possess. If we could once get the people to realize this, our Church problem of tithing would be solved, as would all other problems connected with the financial needs of the Church.

We recommend for the coming year:

That each pastor who has work in this Conference emphasize and make plain what stewardship means.

That each Church give whole-hearted support to the pastor in carrying out this program.

That we have a class in stewardship taught during the year, and helpful literature on this subject be provided for such study.

Respectfully submitted,
W. R. ROGERS,
M. T. SORRELL,
C. O. EAVES,
CHAS. N. JOHNSON,
Committee.

Adopted.

REPORT ON APPORTIONMENTS.

The Apportionment Committee begs leave to report as follows:

1. That, in view of the fact that this Conference adopted, at the 1924 session, the recommendation of the Finance Committee of the Southern Christian Convention, as submitted at its 1924 session, namely: that we accept our proportional part of the $10,000 increase from the Conferences, which is $3,500; therefore, we recommend Conference apportionments for the several Churches as follows (see the table of apportionments). The total amount apportioned is $4,690.

2. The Eastern North Carolina Conference voting to divide Church apportionments on a basis of 75 per cent to the Southern Christian Convention and 25 per cent to Conference funds; therefore, 75 per cent of $4,690, which is $3,517.50, being the part to send to the Convention, and balance, 25 per cent, which is $1,172.50, being the part retained in the Conference treasury for Conference expenditures.

3. The distribution of the Conference portion to be as follows:

Home missions	13½ per cent
Ministerial education	2½ per cent
Superannuation	4 per cent
Conference fund	5 per cent
Total	25 per cent

Respectfully submitted,
L. L. VAUGHAN,
L. H. HUDSON,
J. E. FRANKS,
Committee.

Adopted.

APPORTIONMENTS FOR 1927.

Amelia	$ 60.00	Morrisville	40.00
Antioch	80.00	Moore Union	75.00
Auburn	110.00	Mt. Auburn	150.00
Bethel	60.00	Mt. Carmel	75.00
Bethlehem	50.00	Mt. Gilead	130.00
Beulah	50.00	Mt. Herman	45.00
Caroleigh	25.00	New Elam	200.00
Cary	40.00	New Hill	40.00
Catawba Springs	180.00	New Hope	130.00
Chapel Hill	100.00	Oak Level	110.00
Christian Light	90.00	O'Kelly's Chapel	60.00
Christian Chapel	150.00	Piney Plains	100.00
Clayton	75.00	Pleasant Hill	50.00
Damascus	90.00	Pleasant Union	125.00
Ebenezer	120.00	Plymouth	75.00
Franklinton	50.00	Pope's Chapel	100.00
Fullers Chapel	90.00	Raleigh	225.00
Good Hope	80.00	Sanford	125.00
Hayes Chapel	40.00	Shallow Well	180.00
Henderson	130.00	Six Forks	80.00
Lebanon	45.00	Turner's Chapel	60.00
Lee Chapel	50.00	Wake Chapel	225.00
Liberty	320.00	Wentworth	75.00
Martha's Chapel	50.00	Youngsville	55.00
Mebane	25.00		
		Total	$4,690.00

Suggested distribution of Conference collections for next year:

	Per Cent.
Foreign missions	20
Schools and colleges	20
Convention missions	20
Home missions	15
Convention fund	5
Conference fund	5
Superannuation	5
Christian education	5
Ministerial education	5
Total	100

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION.

Your Committee on Education would urge our people to continue their support and patronage of Elon and Bethlehem Colleges. These institutions have

been built and equipped by the sacrifices of our constituency, they are owned and controlled by the Christian Church, and they are the servants of the Church under obligations to inculcate Christian principles and practices among our young people and prepare them for the exemplification of these principles in their service to the Church. Christian education is not and cannot be a part of life, nor apart from life, but must be the spirit of life and the life of the spirit in order to measure up to the ideals which actuated the founders of our colleges. As they are true to these ideals, so should the Church be true to them with their financial support and patronage. They belong to the Church, have been established by the Church, should be guided by the Church, and supported in all their efforts to express the spirit of the Church in building character, in educating for service, and preparing for efficient leadership.

Rev. M. T. Sorrell, an ordained minister of this Conference, requests a loan of $100, to continue his studies at Elon College. Whenever a licentiate is ordained and becomes an elder in the Conference, he passes from under the direction of your Educational Committee and has reached the purpose for which the educational fund is provided, but owing to peculiar circumstances in this case, we recommend that the loan be granted, but that this action should not become a precedent for future action.

Rev. D .T. McKenney reports that he has had no charge the past year, but is anxious to serve wherever an opportunity is given. He desires to continue his studies until he is prepared for ordination.

Rev. J. A. Denton has served Churches and has exercised his gift in an acceptable manner. We recommend that he continue his preparation looking to his ordination to the full ministry as soon as he is able to pass the required examination as prescribed by our government.

Rev. M. R. Moss, a licentiate of this Conference, requests that his name be dropped from our biblical class. We recommend that his request be granted, as he has returned his license granted at last session.

Respectfully submitted,

W. C. WICKER,
R. L. WILLIAMSON,
J. LEE JOHNSON,
J. E. FRANKS,
Committee.

Adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS.

Resolved, That we express our appreciation:

1. To the members and friends of this Church for their whole-hearted and abundant hospitality to us while among them as their guests.

2. To the visiting brethren who have added so much to the interest and success of this session of Conference.

R. L. WILLIAMSON.

Adopted.

On motion, Conference decided to have the minutes printed in THE CHRISTIAN ANNUAL and that 200 copies be taken and distributed under the direction of the Secretary of Conference.

On motion, the Secretary of Conference was authorized to draw orders for all money paid from the treasury to the Southern Christian Convention and other appropriations.

On motion, it was decided to complete the business of Conference before adjournment today.

On motion, the officers of Conference will continue in office until the close of next session of Conference.

On motion, the discussion of "Church Auxiliaries," by Mrs. L. L. Vaughan, was not conducted.

The following standing committees were announced by the President:

Executive—George T. Whitaker, W. C. Wicker, J. E. Franks.
Educational—W. C. Wicker, J. Lee Johnson, R. L. Williamson.
Home Missions—J. U. Gunter, M. T. Sorrell, W. A. Newman.
Foreign Missions—J. Lee Johnson, Mrs. L. L. Vaughan, J. Milton Banks.
Evangelism—J. Fuller Johnson, J. E. Franks, J. A. Denton.
Sunday School and C. E.—C. H. Stephenson, Miss Lessie Pugh, Galen Elliott.
Social Service—J. A. Kimball, Miss Margaret Alston.
Religious Literature—B. J. Howard, J. Walker Kelly, D. M. Spence.
Stewardship—C. O. Eaves, R. N. Mitchell, W. R. Rodgers.
Apportionments—L. L. Vaughan, W. H. Hudson, W. A. Hilliard.
Finance—Chas. N. Johnson, J. L. Brown, A. M. House.
Program—George T. Whitaker, W. C. Wicker.

On motion, Conference adjourned to meet with the Church at Piney Plains, at 2 o'clock P. M., Monday before Thanksgiving, 1927.

Benediction by Rev. J. Lee Johnson.

GEORGE T. WHITAKER, *President.*

Franklinton, N. C.

W. C. WICKER, *Secretary.*

Elon College, N. C.

MINISTERIAL REPORTS.

J. E. Franks—Churches: Antioch, Bethlehem, Beulah, Clayton, Cary, Lebanon, New Hope, Zion. Sermons, 200; addresses, 7; conversions, 121; baptisms, 40; members received, 60; pastoral visits, 150; marriages, 2; funerals, 14. Salary, $1,200.

Britton J. Howard—Church: Chapel Hill. Sermons, 60; addresses, 3; members received, 11; marriages, 6; funerals, 7. Salary, $1,240.

J. Lee Johnson—Churches: Catawba Springs, Christian Light, Plymouth, Piney Plains, Pleasant Hill, Pleasant Union, Wake Chapel, Wentworth. Sermons, 200; conversions, 60; baptisms, 20; members received, 35; visits, 150; funerals, 10. Salary, $1,650.

J. Fuller Johnson—Churches: Oak Level, Christian Chapel, Bethel, New Elam, Hanks Chapel, Martha's Chapel, New Hill. Sermons, 194; addresses, 3; conversions, 86; baptisms, 55; members received, 62; marriages, 4; funerals, 7. Salary, $1,450.

P. T. Klapp—Church: Morrisville. Sermons, 40; pastoral visits, 100. Salary, $120.

M. T. Sorrell—Mountain work. Sermons, 65; addresses, 10; conversions, 34; baptisms, 7; members received, 18; pastoral visits, 1,000; marriages, 3; funerals, 9. Salary, $1,000.

W. C. Wicker—Churches: Mt. Auburn, Mebane, Graham, Pleasant Ridge. Sermons, 70; addresses, 5; conversions, 60; baptisms, 26; members received, 28; pastoral visits, 150; funerals, 8. Salary, $1,000.

J. D. Wicker—No charge; superannuated.

R. L. Williamson—Churches: Sanford, Turner's Chapel. Sermons, 82; baptisms, 11; members received, 8; pastoral visits, 561; marriages, 10; funerals, 6. Salary, $1,500.

J. A. Denton—Churches: Auburn, Hayes Chapel, Lee Chapel. Sermons, 85; conversions, 11; members received, 9. Salary received, $425.

J. C. Cummings—Churches: Mt. Hermon, Ebenezer, Six Forks. Sermons, 72; conversions, 15; baptisms, 2; members received, 2; pastoral visits, 36. Salary received, $756.

G. A. Pearce—No report.

Rev. Herbert Scholz—Macon, N. C.; principal of Drewry High School. Addresses, several; funerals, 2.

Rev. G. J. Green—Church: Amelia. Sermons, 10; conversions, 15; baptisms, 8; members received, 11; pastoral visits, 6; funerals, 2. Salary, $100.

Eastern North Carolina Conference—Church Statistics.

CHURCH.	PASTOR.	SECRETARY AND ADDRESS.	Members Reported Last Year.	Present Membership.	Received during 1926.	Paid on Conference Apportionments.	Per Cent Paid on Apportionments.	Pastor's Salary.	Amount Raised for All Other Purposes.	Total Amount Raised.	Value of Church Property.
Amelia	G. J. Green	B. H. Phelps, Clayton, N. C., R. 3.	66	81	15	$ 7.00	23	$ 89.82	$ 51.00	$ 147.82	$ 900.00
Antioch	J. E. Franks	H. L. Wall, Littleton, N. C.	97	115	18	20.00	100	100.00	231.00	351.00	1,000.00
Auburn	J. A. Denton	Earlie Jones, Auburn, N. C.	123	119	....	40.50	72	150.00	95.94	286.44	800.00
Bethel	J. Fuller Johnson	Mrs. Scott Johnson, New Hill, N. C.	65	62	....	30.00	75	125.50	66.31	221.81	2,000.00
Bethlehem*	J. E. Franks						00				
Beulah	J. A. Denton	J. B. Edwards, Wake Forest, N. C., R. 2.	163	151	....	30.00	75	150.00	50.00	230.00	800.00
Carolegih	W. D. Parry	B. P. Hardee, Raleigh, N. C.	....	18	18		00				
Cary	J. E. Franks	M. J. Carlton, Cary, N. C.	15	25	10	20.00	80	50.00	180.00	250.00	180.00
Catawba Springs	J. Lee Johnson	B. F. Branch, Raleigh, N. C., R. 3.	186	184	....	90.00	100	300.00	361.00	751.00	2,500.00
Chapel Hill	B. J. Howard	H. D. Strowd, Chapel Hill, N. C.	95	105	10	50.00	50	1,084.25	929.82	2,064.07	40,000.00
Christian Light*	J. Lee Johnson						00				
Christian Chapel	J. Fuller Johnson	A. M. Cotten, Merry Oaks, N. C.	160	162	2	25.00	48	200.00	90.01	315.01	2,350.00
Clayton*							00				
Damascus	J. S. Carden	Lillian Bowden, Chapel Hill, N. C.	97	95	....	50.00	100	200.00	40.00	290.00	5,375.00
Ebenezer*	J. C. Cummings						00				
Franklinton	E. C. Brady	Geo. T. Whitaker, Franklinton, N. C.	34	32	....	25.00	100	200.00	613.90	838.90	8,000.00
Fuller's Chapel	F. D. Ballard	Jesse C. Woodlief, Henderson, N. C.	116	115	....	52.00	100	150.00	167.03	369.03	2,000.00
Good Hope	E. C. Brady	Nola Woodlief, Youngsville, N. C.	92	97	5		00				
Hayes Chapel	J. A. Denton	Stella Johnson, Garner, N. C.	50	55	5	36.00	100	150.00	21.00	207.00	400 00
Henderson	F. D. Ballard	C. D. Newman, Henderson, N. C.	146	149	3	100.00	100	1,350.00	808.85	2,258.84	15,000.00
Lebanon	J. E. Franks	Mrs. Lena Mansfield, R. 2., Sanford, N. C.	44	38	....	20.00	80	65.00	21.35	106.35	
Lee Chapel	J. A. Denton	Emory Buchanan, Moncure, N. C., R. 2.	88	90	10	20.00	100	125.00	46.00	191.00	250.00
Liberty	H. E. Crutchfield	J. Lee Lassiter, Henderson, N. C.	362	360	....	180.00	100	400.00	783.60	1,363.60	8,000.00
Martha's Chapel	J. Fuller Johnson	C. T. Johnson, R. 3, Durham, N. C.	95	95	....	44.00	100	175.00	68.65	287.65	1,250.00
Mebane	W. C. Wicker	Mrs. J. C. Fowler, Mebane, N. C.	25	30	5	20.00	50	150.00	263.28	433.28	7,800.00
Morrisville	P. T. Klapp	Miss Lessie Pugh, Morrisville, N. C.	40	27	....	25.00	100	120.00	93.52	238.52	1,500.00
Moore Union*	J. W Kni ht						00				
Mt. Auburn	W. C. Wicker	J. Flemin Hilliard, Norlina, N. C.	157	160	3	100.00	100	400.00	541.33	1,041.33	4,000.00
Mt. Carmel	E. C. Brady	Sidney May, Franklinton, N. C.	105	115	10	13 76	34	125.00		138.76	500.00
Mt. Gilead	E. C. Brady	Mrs. L. P Perdue, Louisbur., N. C., R. 6.	158	158	....	21.00	35	175.00	128.44	324.44	1,200.00

Mt. Hermon*	J. C. Cummings						00				
New Elam	J. Fuller Johnson	Alice Webster, New Hill, N C	284	285	1	96.00	100	300.00	178.97	574.97	1,600.00
New Hill	J. Fuller Johnson	Carey Welch, New Hill, N. C	43	33		30.00	100	100.00		130.00	900.00
New Hope	J E. Franks	John Chambless, Louisbur , N. C	224	223			00				2,500.00
Oak Level	J. Fuller Johnson	J. W. Hudson, Youn sv lle, N. C	137	141	4	60 00	100	250.00	537.86	847.86	3,000.00
O'Kelly's Chapel	Stanley C. Harrell	J D Hayward, Durham, N C., R. 3	30	30		55 00	84	75.00		130.00	800.00
Piney Plains	J. Lee Johnson	W. R. Patrick, Cary, N. C., R 2	111	109		48.00	100	207 70	373.21	628.91	2,500.00
Pleasant Hill	J. Lee Johnson	J. W. Neighbors, Benson, N C	107	196		30 00	75	200.00	62.00	292.00	1,040.00
Pleasant Union	J Lee Johnson	W. S. Long, Lillington, N. C	145	156	11	50 00	83	300 00	823.69	1,173.69	3,000.00
Plymouth	J. Lee Johnson	B. G. Partin, McCullers, N. C	101	108	7	5 00	10	150.00	74.59	229.59	400.00
Pope's Chapel	E. C Brady	H. G. Holmes, Youngsville, N. C	130	115		35.00	30	200.00	30.00	265.00	2,100.00
Raleigh	Wm. D Parry	H. M. Rhodes, Raleigh, N. C	280	254		92.00	76	3,000.00	2,062.13	5,154 13	159,871.91
Sanford	R. L. Williamson	Paul L. Wicker, Sanford, N. C	150	150		100.00	100	1,250.00	1,315.00	2,665.00	10,000.00
Shallow Well	R L. Williamson	J. Walker Kelly, Jonesboro, N. C	48	46	2	82.00	82	500 00	499.70	1,081 70	3,000.00
Six Forks	J. C Cummings	Mrs. O. L. Ray, Raleigh, N. C, R. 1	20	22	2	10.00	12	300.00	30.65	340 65	600.00
Turner's Chapel	R. L. Williamson	Mrs. R L Ross, Sanford, N. C., R. 5	60	62	2	28.00	100	250.00	195.00	473 00	1,000.00
Wake Chapel	J. Lee Johnson	Harold W. Johnson, Fuquay Spgs., N. C	193	195		150.00	100	300.00	2,178 76	2,628.76	13,000.00
Wentworth	J Lee Johnson	Mrs Geo. M. Williams, McCullers, N. C	75	74		60.00	80	200 00	660.53	920.59	2,000.00
Youngsville	E. C Brady	L. E. Winston, Youngsville, N. C	48	46		52 00	100	125.00	39.00	216.00	1,800.00
Totals			4717	4847	143	$ 2,002.26		$13,742.27	$14,713.17	$30,457.70	$ 314,916.19

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Eastern N. C. Conference—Sunday School Statistics.

SUNDAY SCHOOL.	NAME AND ADDRESS OF SUPERINTENDENT.	No. of Officers and Teachers.	Total Enrollment.	Total Amount Raised During Year.
Amelia	B. H. Phelps, Clayton, N. C., R. 3	6	72	$ 25.00
Antioch	S. B. Spraggin, Gasburg, Va.	8	45	.....
Auburn	J. C. Weaver, Auburn	12	99	79.66
Bethel	L. C. Mann, New Hill, N. C.	6	48	.....
Beulah	D. B. Price, Wake Forest, N. C., R. 2	5	50	15.00
Caroleigh	B. P. Hardee, Raleigh, N. C	3	18	.....
Cary	No report*	.....	.....	.....
Catawba Springs	M. C. Sorrell, Apex, N. C., R. 2	7	150	161.00
Chapel Hill	O. Berry, Chapel Hill, N. C.	11	95	286.00
Christian Chapel	B. N. Dickens, Corinth	6	56	18.66
Damascus	Vance Daniel, Chapel Hill	5	65	30.00
Franklinton	N. B. House, Franklinton	.....	.....	.....
Fuller's Chapel	I. J. Oakley, Henderson, R. 4	9	80	102.03
Good Hope	J. E. Davis, Youngsville	6	59	15.00
Hayes Chapel	No report*	.....	.....	.....
Henderson	C. D. Newman, Henderson	9	97	374.78
Lebanon	E. L. Pattishall, Sanford, R. 2, N. C.	6	48	6.40
Lee Chapel	B. F. Gunter, Moncure, R. 1	4	50	25.00
Liberty	R. C. Ausbon, Henderson, N C R. 1	25	310	375.40
Martha's Chape	J. H. Holder, Morrisville, N. C., R. 1	6	105	60 00
Mebane	J. O. Fowler, Mebane, N. C.	8	36	85.19
Morrisville	E. W. Clements, Morrisville, N. C.	4	12	57.70
Mt. Auburn	J. A. Kimball, Manson, N. C., F. R. D.	12	150	142.86
Mt. Carmel	R. F. Morton, Franklinton. N. C.	8	68	30.00
Mt. Gilead	I. M. Inscoe, Louisburg, N. C., R. 4	6	100	35.00
New Flam	W. A. Drake, New Hill, N. C.	7	.....	.....
New Hill	No report*	.....	.....	.....
New Hope	W. A. Wheless, Louisburg, N. C.	12	110	58.70
Oak Level	J. W. Hudson, Youngsville, N. C.	8	94	104.36
O'Kelly's Chapel	G. M. Parrish, Durham, N. C., R. 3	5	.....	.....
Piney Plains	W. R. Horton, Cary, N. C., R. 2	8	95	51.01
Pleasant Hill	E. H Dixon, Benson, N. C.	5	55	12.00
Pleasant Union	M. E. Wilder, Lillington, N. C.	10	88	61.85
Plymouth	B. G. Partin, McCullers, N. C.	6	72	30.26
Pope's Chapel	J. W. Suit, Youngsville, N. C.	8	60	32.00
Raleigh	L. L. Vaughan, State College, Raleigh, N. C.	16	204	296.61
Sanford	J. S. Truitt, Sanford, N. C.	14	190	400.00
Shallow Well	Frank Watson, Sanford, N. C., R. 2	13	117	7.99
Six Forks	No report*	.....	.....	.....
Turner's Chapel	J. W. Myers, Sanford, N. C., R. 5	8	80	100.00
Wake Chapel	Chas. N. Johnson, Varina	10	110	218.23
Wentworth	B. L. Brown, Cary, N. C.	6	59	56.09
Youngsville	C. A. Moore, Youngsville, N. C.	6	56	58.00
Totals		310	3,253	$ 3,411.78

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Proceedings of the Fifty-Sixth Annual Session of the Western North Carolina Christian Conference.

PLEASANT GROVE CHRISTIAN CHURCH,
RANDOLPH COUNTY, N. C.—NOVEMBER 23, 24, 1926.

FIRST DAY—MORNING SESSION.

The Western North Carolina Christian Conference met today at 10:30 A. M., and was called to order by the President, Rev. G. O. Lankford.

Devotional services were conducted by Rev. T. J. Green.

The roll of ministers and Churches was called and a quorum declared to be present. The complete enrollment is as follows:

Ministers—John M. Allred, W. J. Edwards, T. J. Green, W. N. Hayes, G. O. Lankford, A. K. Scotten, G. R. Underwood, T. E. White.

Licentiates—E. C. Brady, H. V. Cox, D. R. Moffitt, V. D. Shepherd.

Churches and Delegates.

Antioch (R)—R. S. Needham, W. F. Hayes.
Antioch (C)—D. A. Reaves.
Biscoe—
Big Oak—W. T. Lewis, E. K. Freeman.
Brown's Chapel—D. T. Morgan, W. Curtis Saunders.
Burlington—J. H. Isley, W. R. Sellars, Melvin C. Stafford, Sadie Fonville.
Bennett—L. M. Murray, Mrs. J. M. Yowe.
Center Grove—
Ether—W. H. Freeman, M. C. Hammer, Nellie Moore.
Glendon—Dr. M. E. Street, J. W. Gaines.
Grace's Chapel—J. F. Coley.
Graham Providence Memorial—Junius H. Harden.
Graham—Mrs. James P. Harden, Mrs. John D. Kernodle.
High Point—W. M. Martin, Mrs. J. A. Lee.
Hank's Chapel—Mrs. G. R. Underwood, S. M. White, B. H. Ferrell.
Liberty—C. L. Bray, Clyde McCam.
Mt. Pleasant—E. M. Marks, R. L. Brooks.
Needham's Grove—
New Center—Miss Eula Craven.
Parks X Roads—J. C. Cox, R. D. Craven, R. W. York.
Patterson's Grove—J. A. Patterson, F. C. Chandler.

Pleasant Cross—
Pleasant Hill—F. H. Pickard, J. A. Murchison, W. C. McPherson, Paul E. Coble.
Pleasant Grove—Z. E. Brown, W. M. Brady.
Pleasant Ridge—H. V. Cox, E. W. Brown, Dewit Cox.
Pleasant Union—
Poplar Branch—
Ramseur—C. A. Ward, W. M. Coward, E. H. Bray.
Randleman—C. F. Swaney, A. P. Gastor, W. L. Owens.
Shady Grove—Nannie B. Allen.
Shiloh—W. B. Moffitt, Miss Daisy Moffitt, J. C. Moffitt.
Seagrove—Mrs. D. A. Cornellison, O. D. Lawrence.
Smithwood—W. O. Curtis, P. W. Humble.
Spoon's Chapel—
Union Grove—O. P. Brown, C. A. Byrd, D. E. Bean.
Zion—E. T. Marks, S. M. Johnston.

Officers were elected as follows:

President—Rev. G. O. Lankford, re-elected unanimously and by acclamation.
Vice-President—Rev. T. E. White, re-elected unanimously and by acclamation.
Secretary—Junius H. Harden.
Assistant Secretary—Melvin C. Stafford.
Treasurer—O. D. Lawrence, re-elected unanimously and by acclamation.

The report of the Program Committee was submitted and approved, subject to modification and change at the will of the Conference.

At this point the Treasurer requested that the Churches hereafter pay their Conference apportionments in checks, rather than in currency.

On motion, the program was changed so as to permit Rev. J. O. Atkinson, D. D., Mission Secretary of the Southern Christian Convention, to use the hour for the annual address of the President for his address to the Conference on "Missions" on account of the fact that Dr. Atkinson could not be present at the hour allotted to him on the program.

An amendment to the preceding motion provided that C. D. Johnston, of the North Carolina and Virginia Christian Conference and superintendet of the Christian Orphanage, also be given time for his address on the opening day.

On motion, Rev. J. O. Atkinson, D. D., and C. D. Johnston, superintendent of the Christian Orphanage, of the North Carolina and Virginia Christian Conference, and Rev. M. A. Pollard, of the Alabama Conference, were seated as deliberative members.

On motion, the Treasurer and Finance Committee were requested to report in detail the amounts apportioned to the various Church enterprises by each Church of the Conference.

At this hour, Rev. J. O. Atkinson, D. D., Mission Secretary, addressed the Conference on the subject of "Missions," with great fervor and great power.

On motion, the Conference adjourned for dinner.

FIRST DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference called to order by the President, Dr. G. O. Lankford.

Devotional services were conducted by Rev. J. M. Allred.

Rev. H. F. Starr, of the M. E. Church, South, was enrolled as a visiting brother. T. B. Dawson, of the North Carolina and Virginia Christian Conference, was seated as deliberative member.

President Lankford appointed the following special committees:

Finance—W. R. Sellars, Dr. M. E. Street, C. L. Bray.
Resolutions—Rev. T. J. Green, Rev. G. R. Underwood.
Place for Next Conference—Paul E. Coble, E. W. Brown.

In submitting the report of the Executive Committee, and on motion for the adoption of the report, Rev. J. O. Atkinson, D. D., was asked to discuss and explain the proposed budget system inaugurated by the last Christian Convention at its meeting in Durham.

After the discussion and explanation by Dr. Atkinson, a motion was lodged to adopt the budget system, which was lost by a rising vote, 13 for and 21 against.

This hour having been set aside by special order to hear C. D. Johnston, of the Christian Orphanage, Mr. Johnston addressed the Conference in the interest of the Orphanage by an appeal that was accepted by all as a wonderful effort in behalf of the orphans of the Christian Church.

The Committee on Religious Literature submitted its report as follows, which, after discussion, was adopted:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RELIGIOUS LITERATURE.

Man is of a three-fold nature—physical, mental and spiritual.

The physical man needs the best of food prepared in the best way possible. The mental man needs the best of brain food he can get from the best books, papers, and teachers. The spiritual man needs soul food. He needs Jesus Christ. Jesus said, "I am the bread of life. He that eateth of the bread I shall give him shall never hunger." He also said, "I am the water of life. He that drinketh of this water shall never thirst."

We make the following recommendations:

1. That our people read the Bible more carefully and prayerfully. Jesus said: "Search the Scriptures, for in them ye think ye have eternal life, and they are they which testify of me."

2. We recommend that our people subscribe to and read *The Christian Sun*, the official organ of the S. C. C.; it being sound in doctrine and progressive in thought.

3. We recommend that all, who can, subscribe to the *Herald of Gospel Liberty*, the official organ of the A. C. C., the oldest religious newspaper in America.

4. We recommend that all our Sunday Schools use our own literature published at Dayton, Ohio.

5. We recommend that our people subscribe to and read the *Christian Missionary*.

Respectfully submitted,
G. R. UNDERWOOD,
Chairman.

Rev. J. O. Atkinson, D. D., at this hour appealed to the Conference for a more loyal support of *The Christian Sun*. After his appeal, a motion was lodged that each pastor undertake to double the subscriptions to *The Christian Sun* from each of their Churches.

SECOND DAY—MORNING SESSION.

The Conference was called to order by the President, Rev. G. O. Lankford.

Devotional services were conducted by Rev. H. E. Crutchfield.

Minutes of yesterday read and, after correction, adopted.

On motion, Rev. R. A. Whitten, Rev. H. E. Crutchfield, George T. Colclaugh, and Miss Pattie Coghill, all of the North Carolina and Virginia Christian Conference, were invited to seats as deliberative members of the Conference.

Ministerial reports were read. On motion, the reading of the ministerial reports were abbreviated to cover only the important statistical items contained therein.

On account of the wonderful report received from Glendon Church, on motion, the Conference stood in recognition of the wonderful accomplishments of the Glendon congregation and the return of the money appropriated for the aid of the Glendon Church to the Conference.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Whereas, we, your Committee on Foreign Missions, recognize that our Lord Jesus Christ was the greatest missionary the world has ever known, and know that His parting command to us was "Go, ye, into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature." Also, we firmly believe in the Fatherhood of God and the brotherhood of man, and, therefore, take cognizance of the fact that we are our brother's keeper. We also realize that there is a great need. Therefore, we beg to repeat as follows:

1. We urge each Church of this Conference, as other committees at other times have, to organize a Woman's Missionary Society.

2. We recommend that every pastor make special effort all through the year to inform His people of the needs of our foreign fields, and that each ask for

frequent contributions to assist in sending the blessed gospel to our 70,000 souls in Porto Rico and our 1,000,000 souls in Japan.

3. We recommend that each Sunday School have a missionary address by some one of its members who is vitally interested in missions, and that an offering be taken once each month for foreign missions.

4. We urge every minister and every other person concerned to read our missionary organ, the *Christian Missionary*.

5. Although the response during "Mission Month" last year was not what we expected and what it might have been from many Churches, yet we wish to commend every minister and every Church for the energy spent and the results accomplished.

6. We recommend the organization and maintenance of mission study classes in every Church—one for young people and one for older people.

E. C. BRADY,
W. J. EDWARDS,
Committee.

Adopted.

The hour having arrived for the special order, the annual address of Rev. G. O. Lankford, President of the Conference. Dr. Lankford's sermon was a very powerful appeal in behalf of the gospel, and its dissemination throughout all the world. The sermon was well received and made a wonderful impression upon the Conference membership.

On motion, the Conference adjourned to 1:30 P. M.

SECOND DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference was called to order by the President.

Devotional services were conducted by Rev. E. C. Brady.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON HOME MISSIONS.

Since our last report, we are glad to say Smithwood has built a splendid new Church-house, which is a credit to the brotherhood and community; also Pleasant Hill has done considerable work on their Church by adding to and repairing. Hank's Chapel has a building program, as we have heard, and has asked for assistance.

We, your committee, recommend that the accrued percentage be disbursed as follows: 25 per cent be retained in the treasury to meet any emergency, and the balance be divided fifty-fifty between Smithwood and Hank's Chapel when Hank's Chapel has commenced building.

We recommend also that this shall be distributed as last year, through the Southern Christian Convention.

T. J. GREEN,
H. V. COX,
O. D. LAWRENCE,
Committee.

Adopted.

A resolution was introduced and unanimously carried to limit the discussion of all reports of committees and resolutions to thirty minutes each.

Report from Woman's Board read by Miss Pattie Coghill.

REPORT OF WOMAN'S BOARD.

It is gratifying to know that we have done more work than we did last year, even if we have not organized any new societies in this Conference. We still hold the nine societies in as many Churches—thirty-three Churches. This number is deplorably small, it is true, but it is a number that indicates growth in the right direction, and we women who are interested and know that we are going in the right direction will never be satisfied until we know there is an active society in every Church of the Conference. This is the one and only hope of successful growth in this Conference.

The following amounts were received from these societies:

WOMEN'S SOCIETIES.

Burlington	$741.57	
Graham	25.00	
Ether	25.95	
Pleasant Hill	22.15	
Providence Memorial	30.00	
Ramseur	41.00	
Randleman	2.50	
Shiloh	3.00	
Seagrove	10.00	
		$ 901.17

YOUNG PEOPLE'S SOCIETIES.

Burlington	$198.90	
Burlington, Jr.	64.05	
Ramseur	20.00	
		282.95

WILLING WORKERS.

Burlington	56.30

CRADLE ROLLS.

Burlington	$ 28.03	
Ramseur	1.60	
		29.63
Total		$1,270.05

I wish to say this is the best work done in this Conference. I wish to especially commend the society at Ether, which is a new society and was mentioned at our meeting in Raleigh as a banner society. The Young People's Society at Ramseur is also a banner society.

A missionary society would be a blessing in every Church in this Conference, and we are expecting more new societies to have a part in the work during the coming year.

MRS. D. A. CORNELISON,
Chairman.

Adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MORAL REFORM.

We recommend:

1. That we, as ministers and laymen, urge a more careful and prayerful reading of the Bible.

2. We urge the keeping of the commandments, especially the observance of the Sabbath Day.

3. That we discourage swimming pools, dance halls, moving-picture shows, card tables, twilight and auto night rides.

4. That we teach and preach the evils of profanity.

5. That we impress upon the young people the importance of forming good habits, and that we discourage the use of tobacco in any form.

6. We teach the importance of observing the laws of health.

7. That we co-operate with our county boards of education and demand only teachers who are members of some Church to teach our public schools.

8. That we recommend that the Churches raise their finances the Bible way, rather than by worldly amusements, such as box parties, flower shows, etc.

JOHN M. ALLRED,
REV. W. N. HAYES,
B. S. MOFFITT,
Committee.

Adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION.

The Southern Christian Convention has made rapid and wholesome progress during the recent years of our history. This progress and wider outlook can be attributed quite largely to a better educated and trained ministry and laity. The one most potent factor in this more highly trained leadership, as all must recognize, is Elon College. This institution, which is a child of the Convention, is now better prepared to render service to the Church than at any previous time in its history. We would, therefore, urge upon our pastors and people a whole-hearted support of the college with our means, prayers and patronage; for as we render this support we make it possible for the college to give that service for which it was created.

We call to the attention of all our people, particularly our pastors, Sunday School superintendents, and teachers, our Summer School for Christian Workers at Elon College. This school has done and is doing a very fine and constructive work in our Church life. We highly commend this school to the earnest and thoughtful consideration of all who desire a more efficient leadership in our local Churches. We would suggest that, wherever possible, our Churches send one or more of their young people to this school, paying the expenses of the same.

There is no greater need in our Conference, in the judgment of our committee, than a thoroughly prepared ministry. Our standards are not in keeping with the progress of this age. A changing world demands a growing ministry. A preacher must go forward or be left behind. He can go forward if he will. Helps are abundant and available at reasonable prices, and the preacher owes it to himself, his people, and his Lord to make all possible use of the sources of help at his command.

Your committee is deeply sensible of its great responsibility in passing upon the candidates who have appeared before it with recommendations for licensure and ordination from the several Churches interested. We have given our most prayerful thought and consideration to each candidate appearing before us and to every request presented by the local Church. Our decisions are as follow:

1. Licentiate E. C. Brady has completed his course at Elon College; is now engaged in preaching and teaching, and after this year contemplates further preparation for the work to which he is called. We heartily commend him for his achievements thus far and for his worthy aspirations for the future.

2. Licentiates D. R. Moffitt and V. D. Shepherd have appeared before the committee with requests for their ordination. We recommend that they pursue the course of study prescribed by the "Principles and Governments" of our Church, and that they appear before the Educational Committee for examination prior to the next session of this Conference.

3. Bro. H. V. Cox, a member of Pleasant Ridge Christian Church, appeared for licensure, and passed a satisfactory examination. We recommend that he be licensed to preach during the present session of Conference and that he pursue

the course of study prescribed by our "Principles and Government," and that he appear for examination prior to next session.

4. Bro. W. L. Owens, of Randleman, and B. H. Loudermilk, of Pleasant Grove, again appeared for examination. We recommend that they prepare for a satisfactory examination, as required by our "Principles and Government," prior to next session of Conference; in the meantime, that they be authorized to exercise their gifts as opportunity affords.

5. Licentiates R. O. Smith, W. B. Terrell, and J. U. Fogleman have made no reports to the committee.

T. E. WHITE,
G. O. LANKFORD,
T. J. GREEN,
Committee.

Adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

We, your Committee on Sunday Schools, beg to make the following report:

We held a Sunday School Convention at Ramseur Christian Church July 22 and 23, 1926, for the Western North Carolina Christian Conference.

We had a splendid convention. A good program was rendered. Considerable progress has been made in the work since first organized at Pleasant Ridge three years ago.

Misses Madge Moffitt and Julia Woodson led the singing. They put pep in the entire convention. Some very able talks and discussions by Dr. Atkinson, Dr. Walters, Chas. D. Johnston, Dr. Lankford and others. C. A. Walker, of Burlington, N. C., makes us a splendid president. The minutes of our convention are printed in the "Christian Sunday School and Christian Endeavor Hand Book."

We recommend the following:

1. That teacher-training classes be organized and carried on in all of the schools where they do not now exist.

2. That the subject of missions be taught to the young folks at least once a month, and that each school be given an opportunity to contribute to missions monthly.

3. That each school contribute monthly offerings to our Christian Orphanage.

4. That we use our own literature in our schools, and that all officers and teachers be urged by their pastors to use the *Journal of Christian Education,* a monthly magazine for Christian leadership, with special emphasis on Sunday Schools, and an official organ of the Christian Church.

Respectfully submitted,
B. S. MOFFITT,
H. V. COX,
Committee.

Adopted.

Report of Committee on Christian Endeavor read by Mr. M. C. Stafford, representing Mrs. Madge Moffitt Whitesell.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR.

The chief problems in our Christian Endeavor work are enumerated as follows:

Problem 1—Consecrated, resourceful leaders: leaders who will sacrifice unselfishly for a live, consecrated Christian Endeavor; leaders who will "search the Scriptures" and impart with interest and reverence God's Holy Book, the Bible.

Problem 2—Plans. Plans and methods for the work have never yet failed

to get the needed response from boys and girls. New methods, new plans, new ideas will bring about the great faith in a welcome, definite way.

Christian Endeavor has proved a complete training school of the Church for Christian leaders, and consecrated Christian leaders are ever a part of our prayers. Let the youth in your Church relax, rest, or become inactive and you see the Church begin to die. Bearing the name "Christian," we, perhaps, have more responsibility than any other denomination; more to live up to, in fact. Why not, then, stress the development of youth by systematic study of the Bible, regular prayer and constant service to God and man?

Inasmuch, therefore, as this department of the Church is so essential to the spiritual culture of all, we recommend:

First. That each pastor in this Conference put forth a special effort to organize a Christian Endeavor Society in each of his Churches.

Second. That each society seek information from the Field Secretary, Miss Pattie Coghill, Henderson, N. C., regarding Christian Endeavor principles.

Third. That each society seek earnestly to live up to the Christian Endeavor motto, "For Christ and the Church."

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. JOHN WHITESELL,
Chairman.

Adopted.

Report of the Committee on Cnoference Apportionments recommended that the apportionments for the Churches for 1926-1927 be the same as for 1924-1925. On motion, this recommendation was adopted, after adding 10 per cent as ordered by Conference of last year, and the apportionments for 1926 and 1927 are as follows:

APPORTIONMENTS FOR 1926-1927.

Antioch (R)	$ 44.00	Needham's Grove	27.50
Antioch (C)	55.00	New Center	82.50
Addor	27.50	Graham Providence Mem'l..	82.50
Burlington	550.00	Parks X Roads	137.50
Bennett	44.00	Patterson's Grove	49.50
Biscoe	27.50	Pleasant Cross	60.50
Big Oak	88.00	Pleasant Grove	159.50
Brown's Chapel	66.00	Pleasant Hill (A)	115.50
Center Grove	55.00	Pleasant Ridge (R)	115.50
Christian Union	33.00	Pleasant Union (R)	55.00
Ether	55.00	Poplar Branch	44.00
Glendon	55.00	Ramseur	88.00
Grace's Chapel	55.00	Randleman	55.00
Graham	82.50	Seagrove	49.50
Hank's Chapel	137.50	Shady Grove	55.00
High Point	55.00	Shiloh	88.00
Lee's Chapel	27.50	Smithwood	55.00
Liberty (R)	27.50	Spoon's Chapel	27.50
Mt. Pleasant	27.50	Union Grove	71.50
		Zion	77.00

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE.

We, your Committee on Finance, beg to report that we have examined the report of O. D. Lawrence, Treasurer of the Western North Carolina Conference, and find same to be correct.

W. R. SELLARS,
M. E. STREET,
Committee.

Adopted.

REPORT OF TREASURER.

1925.			
Nov. 17.	Balance brought forward		$ 267.19
	To collections from Churches		1,766.57
	Total		$2,033.76
19.	By draft Central Publishing Co., programs	$ 4.00	
28.	By draft C. H. Stephenson, educational work	100.00	
	By draft W. C. Wicker, Treas. S. C. C	1,278.56	
Dec. 2.	By draft W. C. Martin, stat'y, postage, labor	32.50	
1926.			
Mar. 19.	By draft J. O. Atkinson, home mission fund	314.19	
Apl. 10.	By draft Central Publishing Co., ANNUALS	75.00	
			1,804.25
	To balance brought down		$ 229.51
	To collections 56th Conference		1,731.80
	Balance on hand		$1,961.31

O. D. LAWRENCE,
Treasurer.

Adopted.

Committee on Place for Holding Next Conference recommended Pleasant Hlil, Alamance County, N. C., and the report of the committee was unanimously adopted. On motion, the date for the next meeting of the Western North Carolina Conference was set for Tuesday after the first Sunday in November, 1927, at Pleasant Hill Christian Church, Alamance County, N. C.

The President appointed the following standing committees:

Executive—G. O. Lankford, T. E. White, W. R. Sellars.
Education—T. E. White, T. J. Green, G. O. Lankford.
Foreign Missions—E. C. Brady, Dr. M. E. Street, G. R. Underwood.
Home Missions—T. J. Green, O. D. Lawrence, H. V. Cox.
Religious Literature—G. R. Underwood, R. O. Smith, I. H. Faust.
Sunday School—B. S. Moffitt, H. V. Cox, George Gunter.
Christian Endeavor—M. C. Stafford, Mrs. Madge Moffitt Whitesell, W. H. Freeman.
Moral Reform—J. M. Allred, W. C. Martin, D. R. Moffitt.
Apportionments—J. H. Harden, W. L. Cates, O. D. Lawrence.
Woman's Board—Mrs. D. A. Cornelison, Mrs. W. R. Sellars, Mrs. H. F. Brady.
Program—G. O. Lankford, T. E. White.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS AND INVITATIONS.

We, your Committee on Resolutions, recommend that this Conference extend a rising vote of thanks to this Church, pastor, and community for the hospitable manner in which they have entertained this body.

Committee on Invitations report some invitations, and their recommendation is that the next annual Conference meet with Pleasant Hill Church.

E. W. BROWN,
Chairman.

Adopted by a rising vote of thanks to the congregation of the Pleasant Grove Church for the wonderful fellowship and entertainment extended to the Conference during its entire session.

On motion, it was ordered that the same number of ANNUALS be ordered under the same terms as were ordered last year.

The hour of special order for licensure having arrived, H. V. Cox was presented to the Conference for licensure by Rev. T. E. White. The President of the Conference requested Rev. J. M. Allred to lead the Conference in prayer, after which the licensing of Rev. H. V. Cox and the charge by the President of the Conference were delivered in a very impressive ceremony.

The minutes of the day's session were read and, after correction, adopted.

The labors of the Conference having been completed, a farewell service of a very touching character was conducted by Rev. T. E. White.

Adjourned to meet next year on Tuesday after the first Sunday in November at Pleasant Hill Christian Church, Alamance County, N. C., at 10:30 A. M.

G. O. LANKFORD, *President.*

Burlington, N. C.

JUNIUS H. HARDEN, *Secretary.*

Burlington, N. C.

MINISTERIAL REPORTS.

G. O. Lankford—Church: Burlington, N. C. Sermons preached, 100; baptized, 1; lectures, 5; marriages, 8; prayer meetings, 43; members received, 7; pastoral visits, 636; burial services, 15. Salary, $3,000.

T. E. White—Church: Graham-Providence Memorial. Sermons, 100; member received, 1; burial services, 6. Salary, $1,200.

T. J. Green—Churches: Apples Chapel, Hines Chapel, Shallow Ford. Sermons, 110; conversions, 40; baptized, 20; members received, 31; pastoral visits, 200; marriages, 4; funerals, 12. Salary, $1,150. (Five weeks in evangelistic services.)

W. J. Edwards—No charge. Sermons, 19; lecture, 1; burial services, 2. No salary.

W. N. Hayes—Churches: Spoon's Chapel, Pleasant Union. Conversions, 15; burial services, 2. Salary, $30.25.

E. Carl Brady—Churches: Mt. Gilead, Mt. Carmel, Good Hope, Franklinton, Pope's Chapel, Youngsville. Sermons, 65; conversions, 30; members received, 22; visits, 200. Salary, $1,250.

John M. Allred—Churches: Pleasant Ridge, Randleman, High Point, Union Grove. Sermons, 71; conversions, 104; baptized, 3; marriages, 3; members received, 25. Salary, $727.05.

G. R. Underwood—No charge. Sermons, 8; lectures, 5; burials, 14.

D. R. Moffitt—Churches: Pleasant Grove, Antioch. Sermons, 62; conversions, 19; members received, 6; burials, 8. Salary, $213.

CHURCH.	PASTOR.	SECRETARY AND ADDRESS.	Members Reported Last Year.	Present Membership.
Antioch (R)	D. R. Moffitt	Miss Dora Fox Coleridge, N. C	76	77
Antioch (C)	J. S. Carden	Not given	75	78
Addor				
Burlington	G. O. Lankford	J. P. Montgomery, Burlington, N. C	632	629
Bennett	C. E. Gerringer	L. M. Murray Bennett, N. C	60	53
Biscoe	W. C. Martin	O. H. Lambert, Biscoe, N. C	12	12
Big Oak	C. E. Gerringer	Miss Lena Nall, Eagle Springs, N. C	185	185
Brown's Chapel	W. C. Martin	Bertha McKenzie	143	149
Center Grove				
Christian Union				
Ether	C. E. Gerringer	Miss Helen Phillips, Ether, N. C	51	68
Glendon	J. C. Cummings	G. M. Tally, Carbonton, N. C	64	74
Grace's Chapel	J. W. Knight	R. B. Corggin, Stokesdale, N. C	150	146
Graham	W. C. Wicker	J. D Kernodle, Graham, N. C	26	31
Graham Prov.-Memorial	T. E. White	Miss Lola piper, Burlington, N. C	130	125
Hanks Chapel	J. Fuller Johnson	Miss Elizabeth Riddle, Pittsboro, N. C	150	158
High Point	J. M. Allred	Mrs. Hattie Glass, High Point, N. C	72	78
Lee's Chapel				
Liberty (R)	J. L. Foster	C. L. Bray, Liberty, N. C		20
Mt. Pleasant	J. S. Carden	E. L. Autray, Bennett, N. C	73	73
Needham's Grove				
New Center	C. E. Gerringer	Helen Garner, Ether, N. C		82
Parks Cross Roads	J. C. Cummings	W. R. Rightsell, Hemp, N. C	148	146
Patterson's Grove	U. D. Shepard		29	26
Pleasant Cross	W. C. Martin	Miss Fannie Ellison, Biscoe, N. C	63	62
Pleasant Grove	D. R. Moffitt	J. A. Hicks, Coleridge, N. C	246	246
Pleasant Hill	H. E. Crutchfield	Paul E. Coble, Liberty, N. C	200	195
Pleasant Ridge (R)	J. M. Allred	Geo. T. Gunter, Ramseur, N. C	180	180
Pleasant Union (R)	W. N. Hayes	E. V. McDowell, Mechanic, N. C	17	17
Poplar Branch	John Knight	Florence Cox, Jonesboro, N. C	25	23
Ramseur	J. C. Cummings	T. A. Moffitt, Ramseur, N. C	92	97
Randleman	J. M. Allred	C. F. Swany, Asheboro, N. C	110	102
Seagrove	J. C. Cummings	Mrs. B. A. Cornelison, Seagrove, N. C	37	40
Shady Grove	C. E. Gerringer	Mrs. D. F. Newlin, Ether, N. C	42	57
Shiloh	J. C. Cummings	B. S. Moffitt, Ramseur, N. C	98	109
Smithwood	M. A. Pollard	W. D. Humble, Liberty, N. C	109	109
Spoon's Chapel				
Union Grove	John M. Allred	W. R. Brown, Asheboro, N. C	75	75
Zion	J. E. Franks	T. E. Farrell, Moncure, N. C	185	191
Totals			3,555	3,713

Conference—Church Statistics.

Conference Apportionment.	Paid on Conference Apportionment	Benevolences.	Pastor's Salary.	Spent on Buildings and Equipment.	Missions.	Amount Raised for Orphanage.	All Other Expenses	Totals.	Value of Church Property.
$ 40.00	$ 10.00	.....	$ 44.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	$ 54.00	$ 500.00
22.15	15.00	.....	125.00	.....	.....	$ 11.00	$ 4.00	155.00	.....
500.00	550.00	$ 3,810.60	3,000.00	$ 487.50	$ 772.50	$99.20	5,430.66	16,480.75	100,487 50
40 00	16 39	.....	100.00	.....	.....	10.00	.....	126.39	2,500.00
.....	12.00	.....	.....	266.00	.....	.....	.....	278.00	.....556.00
80.00	28.28	.....	200.00	3.75	17.18	15.77	4.00	268.98	600.00
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30.00	25.00	43.68	175.00	350.00	68.26	95.93	.....	773.37	1,250.00
50.00	50.00	38.53	401 60	240.00	18.00	20.00	.....	.....	768.13
50.00	55.00	76.21	200.00	.....	.....	11.50	65.08	381.12	1,000.00
75.00	25.00	.....	160.00	275.00	40.97	.....	469.46	970.43	4,000.00
75.00	80.00	60.30	1,200 00	.....	67.31	76.45	.....	1,534.06	5,000.00
125.00	10.00	15.00	320.00	142.60	.....	.....	20 00	497.60	800.00
55.00	55.00	.....	200.00	.....	35.26	68.99	136.27	495.52	3,000.00
25.00	20.00	43.43	128 80	14.50	61 90	34.00	61.44	339.12	3,500.00
25.00	20.00	21.52	250.00	.....	33.95	20.00	.....	345.47	1,000.00
75.00	20.00	.....	92 85	.....	.....	10.00	8.83	131.68	1,500 00
125.00	90.00	64.04	300.00	.....	36.85	33.18	345.23	870.30	2,000.00
45 00	10.00	.....	75.05	.....	.....	.....	7.80	92.85	500 00
55.00	35.00	.....	131.00	.....	.....	9.75	5.00	180.75	1,200.00
145.00	35.00	.....	160 00	23.00	.....	.....	50 00	277.00	1,600 00
105.00	66.60	.....	200.00	.....	56.05	92 20	151.72	566 66	2,500 00
105 00	115.00	.....	225.00	2,500.00	39.91	62.43	247.66	3,365.18	2,500 00
50 00	.....	.....	20.40	.....	.....	.....	.....	20.40	500 00
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1,000.00
80.00	90.00	61.00	340 00	.....	118.61	173.16	265.21	1,047.98	2,000.00
50.00	55.00	.....	160.00	.....	20 00	.....	230.00	465.00	2,000.00
45.00	50.00	.....	200.00	46.50	18.50	19.99	28.98	345.17	3,000.00
50.00	13.00	17.00	92.00	66.00	2.37	5.44	18.58	214.29	950.00
80.00	20.00	.....	176.00	57.70	26.60	41.75	.....	322.05	.....
50.00	20.91	50.00	370.00	500.00	.....	24.00	2,000.00	2,464.91	6,500 00
65 00	71.50	38.00	142.05	21.65	12.00	15 45	35.00	337.90	1,200.00
70 00	60.00	.....	200 00	.....	71.00	26 00	.....	357.00	1,075.00
$ 2,387.15	$ 1,723.77	$ 4,339.31	$ 9,397.75	$ 4,994.20	$ 1,517.22	$1,876 19	$ 9,584.92	$33,844 43	$ 153,430.63

Western N. C. Conference—Sunday School Statistics.

SUNDAY SCHOOL.	NAME AND ADDRESS SUPERINTENDENT.	No. of Officers and Teachers.	No. in Cradle Roll.	No. in Home Department.	Total Enrollment	Amount Raised During the Year.
Antioch (R)	W. R. Oldham, Pittsboro, N. C.	9	....	....	83	.....
Antioch (C)	.....	....	....	....	.....	.....
Addor	.....	....	....	....	.....	.....
Burlington	J. P. Montgomery, Burlington, N. C.	36	12	34	388	$2,702.30
Bennett	A. B. Phillips, Bennett, N. C.	8	....	....	79	37.00
Biscoe	.....	....	....	....	.....	.....
Big Oak	D. E. Cole, Eagle Springs	9	....	....	.....	15.00
Brown's Chapel	.....	....	....	....	.....	.....
China Grove	.....	....	....	....	.....	.....
Christian Union	.....	....	....	....	.....	.....
Ether	W. H. Freeman, Ether, N. C.	7	....	....	89	134.24
Glendon	.....	....	....	....	.....	.....
Grace's Chapel	S H. McDuffie, Sanford, N. C.	14	30	....	225	85.25
Graham	J. J. Henderson, Graham, N. C	9	12	15	83	103 87
Graham Prov. Mem.	J. B. Ferrell, Graham, N. C	11	....	....	127	169.83
Hanks Chapel	H. C. Terrell, Pittsboro, N. C.	8	....	....	92	75.00
High Point	W. M. Martin, High Point	7	12	....	135	339.00
Lee's Chapel	.....	....	....	....	.....	.....
Liberty (R)	Cyrus Shoffner, Liberty, N C.	9	6	....	75	119.92
Mt. Pleasant	E. W. Marks, Over Hill, N. C.	9	....	....	63	63.20
Needham s Grove	.....	....	....	....	.....	.....
New Center	R. H. Brown, Seagrove, N. C.	5	....	....	45	8,83
Parks Cross Roads	Mrs. G. W. Burgess, Ramseur, N. C.	8	....	....	137	108.82
Patterson s Grove	J. T. Ellison, Franklinville, N. C.	10	....	....	.....	12.00
Pleasant Cross	Lacy Allred, Asheboro, N. C.	6	....	....	57	16.80
Pleasant Grove	J. A. Hicks, Coleridge, N. C.	7	....	....	75	25.00
Pleasant Hill	W. A. Hornaday, Liberty, N. C.	9	32	....	216	168.05
Pleasant Ridge (R)	G. T. Gunter, Ramseur, N. C.	13	10	....	136	110.49
Pleasant Union	E. L. McDowell, Mechanic, N. C.	6	....	....	20	10.00
Poplar Branch	.....	....	....	....	.....	.....
Ramseur	Mrs. H. F. Brady, Ramseur, N. C.	11	15	....	195	427.98
Randleman	S. G. Robbins, Randleman	9	....	....	150	165.00
Seagrove	O. D. Lawrence, Seagrove, N. C.	6	....	....	42	38.07
Shady Grove	B. B. Martin, Ether, N. C.	6	25	....	75	.....
Shiloh	F. L. Tedder, Kemps Mills	8	....	....	80	20.00
Smithwood	J. M. Smith, Liberty, N. C.	6	....	....	103	75.00
Spoons Chapel	.....	....	....	....	.....	.....
Union Grove	W. E. Brown, Asheboro, N. C.	12	23	....	140	38.00
Zion	D. T. Marks, Moncure	10	....	....	93	56.00
Totals	.....	268	177	49	3,003	$5,124.65

Georgia and Alabama Conference—Church Statistics.

CHURCH.	PASTOR.	SECRETARY AND ADDRESS.	Members Reported Last Year.	Present Membership.	All Benevolences.	Paid on Pastor's Salary.	Amount Spent on Building.	All Other Expenses.	Total.	Value of Church Property.
Ambrose	S. D. Lankford	C. D. Boggan, Sr., Ambrose, Ga.	40	41		$ 275.00		$ 232.05	$ 552.05	$ 6,000.00
Beulah	T. J. Dean	Mrs. Jettie Gallman, Phoenix, Ala.	89	86		454.40		82.51	581.91	2,000.00
Eagan	C. W. Hanson	Mamie Kennedy, Eagan, Ga.	18	18		128.78		4.00	142.78	
East LaGrange	C. W. Hanson	W. J. Smith, 200 Addie St., LaGrange.	53	62	$ 133.50	167.00	$ 427.00	144.38	871.88	5,000.00
Enigma	S. D. Lankford	L. D. Abell, Enigma, Ga.	54	53	21.00	194.00	65.75	76.05	380.80	1,000.00
First LaGrange	C. W. Hanson	Ada Cole, Park Ave., LaGrange, Ga.	485	505		886.78	394.25	132.77	1,573.80	1,500.00
Hill Side	W. T. Crowder	Vinson Reese, 1413 Elm St., LaGrange.	81	116		8.00		24.00	50.00	2,500.00
Hogansville										
Lanett	H. M. Gray	D. Dukes, Lanett, Ala.	329	381	16.60	1,433.18		811.48	2,421.26	17,500.00
N. Highland	A. H. Sheppard	J. M. Etheridge, Columbus, Ga.	103	103		419.48	21.63	405.81	867.67	6,000.00
Oak Grove	H. M. Gray	H. B. Floyd, Chipley, Ga.	210	187		351.94		30.00	409.44	4,000.00
Providence C.	E. M. Carter	Troy Bishop, Richland, Ga.	32	32		99.15		150.00	252.15	800.00
Rose Hill	H. W. Elder	Lillis Gordon, 917 31st St., Columbus.	31	35		250.00		611.47	901.47	18,500.00
Richland	H. W. Elder	J. R. Godfrey, Richland, Ga.	39	41	15.00	164.50		633.92	863.42	13,000 00
Union	H. W. Elder	Henry Usher, Richland, Ga.	24	24		51.00		14.00	85.00	1,000.00
Vanceville	S. D. Lankford	A. J. Hand, R. 5, Tifton, Ga.	72	75	4.10	252.62		297.92	657.58	2,500.00
Totals			1,659	1,759	$ 190.20	$ 5,134.55	$ 908.63	$ 3,551.36	$10,611.21	$81,300.00

Alabama Conference—Church Statistics.

CHURCH.	PASTOR.	SECRETARY AND ADDRESS.	Members Reported Last Year.	Present Membership.	Paid Pastor.	Amount Paid on Apportionment.	Amount Spent on Building.	All Other Expenses.	Total.	Value of Church Property.
Antioch	G. D. Hunt	Ethel Kitchens, Roanoke, Ala., R.	143	134	$ 300.00	$ 86.50	$ 34.00	$ 49.74	$ 470.24	$ 1,500.00
Arab	G. D. Hunt	S. P. Carrel, Union Grove	17	22	12.00	5.65	10.48		28.13	1,200.00
Beulah	J. H. Dollar	J. D. Hall, Wadley, Ala.	120	117	125.00	20.45		56.00	201.45	2,000.00
Bethany	C. W. Carter	W. Y Harry, Glenn, Ga.	34	37	144.80	15.50		26 00	185.30	1,500.00
Corinth	C. W. Carter	J. G. Harris, Wadley, Ala.	69	70	60.00	14.00		30.00	104.00	1,500.00
Christiana	C. W. Carter	R. S. Duck, Dadeville, R. 2	57	53	65.00	2.36			67.36	1,500.00
Cragford	S. L. Beougher	Minnie Peek, Cragford, Ala.	34	40	150.00	45.00	25.00	20.00	240.00	3,000.00
Caver's G	W. C. Carpenter	Lorenza Amason, Weedowee, Ala.	56	61	42.80	15.00	96.00		153.80	1,200.00
Dingler's Chapel	C. Dollar	Ione Young, Lineville, R. 2	34	32	40.00	20.00			60.00	1,200.00
Forest Home	G. D. Hunt	L. J. Houze, Roanoke, R. 2	22	23	76.60	6.00			82.60	2,000.00
Liberty Grove	W. T. Meacham	Girdie Fosbee	16	16	50.00	5.00		10.00	65.00	1,000.00
Lowell (Union)	J. D. Dollar	Mrs. C. Hodges, Roanoke, Ala.	100	127	145.00	18.35			163.35	
Macedonia		Saley Smith, D3lta	63	63						1,000.00
McGuire's Chapel	J. H. Dollar	W. D. Fuller, Daviston	77	77	40.00			8.00	48.00	1,500.00
Mt. Zion	J. D. Dollar	J. B. Swann, Roanoke, R.	156	158	147.72	22.00	1,000.00	45.00	1,214.72	2,700.00
Noon Day	W. C. Carpenter	L. B. Taylor, Wedowee	175	173	111.76	31.00		270.00	412.76	2,000.00
New Home			25	25						1,000.00
New Harmony	J. H. Dollar	G. M. McCormick, Cragford	76	71	62.85	21.50		9.60	18.95	2,000.00
New Hope	G. D. Hunt	E. C. Stevens, Roanoke, R.	189	185	225.00	85.00		40.00	350.00	2,000.00
Pisgah	G. D. Hunt	Lois Hogan, Pisgah	68	67	137.25	5 00	47.30	74.00	243.25	2,800.00
Pleasant Grove	W. C. Carpenter	L. L. Knight, Abanda, R.	79	92	100.00	10.00	200.00	200.00	510.00	2,500 00
Rock Springs	W. C. Carpenter	Mrs. F. A. Broach, Roanoke, Ala.	106	100	68.00	2.00			70.00	1,500.00
Rock Stand	J. D. Dollar	Jadie Kirby, Roanoke, R. 4	92	92	140.00	34.25			174.25	1,800.00
Roanoke	G. D. Hunt	Mrs. E. M. Hood, Roanoke, Ala.	16	17	204.00	40.00	189.70	113.00	546.70	2,000.00
Sand Hill	J. B. Orr	E. H. Orr, Gilmer, Texas	56	63	50.00				50.00	1,500.00
Spring Hill (Union)	C. W. Carter	C. A McCoy, Lineville, Ala.	61	60	75.00	21.00		32.28	128.38	
Shady Grove	J. D Dollar	M A. Gilliland, Lineville, R.	56	55	66.00	12.10			78.10	1,500.00
Wadley	S. L. Beougher	C. A. Weldon, Wadley, Ala.	91	95	300.00	90.00		110.00	520.00	2,800.00
Totals			2,068	2,128	$ 2,823.78	$ 629.76	$ 1,602.48	$ 1,093.62	$ 6,192.34	$46,200.00

Summary of Conference Statistics—Southern Christian Convention.

NAME OF CONFERENCE.	Members Reported Last Year.	Present Membership.	Conference Apportionments Reported.	Paid on Conference Apportionments.	Amount Raised for Missions.	All Other Benevolences.	Pastor's Salary.	Amount Spent on Building.	Paid for Other Purposes.	Total Amount Raised.	Value of Church Property.
Virginia Valley Central Conference:											
W. T. Walters, President, Harrisonburg, Va...											
A. W. Andes, Secty., Harrisonburg, Va.....	2,331	2,368	$ 1,670.00	$ 1,343.00	$ 703.57	$ 111.56	$ 3,497.31	$ 809.01	$ 1,030.74	$ 7,495.27	$ 74,700.00
Eastern Virginia Conference:											
H. S. Hardcastle, President, Suffolk, Va..											
I. W. Johnson, Secty., Suffolk, Va.....	10,609	11,268	.....	7,596.50	13,092.00	7,579.00	50,940.00	116,002.00	53,908.00	249,120.50	1,428,200.00
North Carolina and Virginia Conference:											
C. H. Rowland, Pres., Greensboro, N. C.											
S. C. Harrell, Secty., Durham, N. C.....	5,949	6,185	4,755.00	3,824.49	3,611.85	2,541.66	17,414.42	5,957 23	14,478.05	48,828.70	241,150.00
Eastern North Carolina Conference:											
Geo. T. Whitaker, Pres., Franklinton, N. C.											
W. C. Wicker, Secty., Elon College, N. C.....	4,717	4,847	.....	2,602.26	.....	.....	13,742.27	.....	14,713.17	30,457.70	316,916.19
Western North Carolina Conference:											
G. O. Lankford, Pres , Burlington, N. C.											
J. H. Harden, Secty., Graham, N. C.....	3,375	3,529	2,387.15	1,711.77	1,517.22	4,339.31	9,397.75	4,728.20	9,584.92	33,849.43	155,686.63
Georgia and Alabama Conference:											
H. M. Gray, Pres., Lanett, Ala.											
Mary Talley, Secty., Lanett, Ala.....	1,659	1,759	.....	.....	.....	190.20	5,134.55	908.63	3,551.36	10,611.21	81,300.00
Alabama Conference:											
G. D. Hunt, Pres., Wadley, Ala.											
E. M. Carter, Secty., Wadley, Ala.....	2,068	2,128	.....	629.76	.....	.....	2,823.78	1,602.48	1,093.62	6,192.34	46,200.00
Totals.....	30,708	32,084	$ 8,812.15	$17,707.78	$18,924.64	$14,761.73	$ 102,950.08	$ 130,007.55	$98,359.86	$ 386,555.15	$ 2,344,152.82

Proceedings of the Woman's Missionary Convention of Southern Christian Convention.

DURHAM, N. C., APRIL 28, 29, 1926.

FIRST DAY—MORNING SESSION.

The Woman's Missionary Convention of the Southern Christian Convention met in the Duke Memorial Methodist Episcopal Church, Durham, N. C., on Wednesday, April 28, 1926, at 10 o'clock A. M., and, on account of sickness of the President, was called to order by the Vice-President, Mrs. J. A. Williams.

Devotional services were conducted by Mrs. H. S. Hardcastle, of Suffolk, Va., after which Mrs. W. D. Parry, of Raleigh, N. C., rendered a special organ selection.

Enrollment of delegates and visitors: Eastern Virginia, 17; North Carolina, 56; Virginia Valley Central, 3; Visitors, 30.

The Vice-President, Mrs. J. A. Williams, gave a very interesting address on the necessity of co-operation in the local societies, district Conferences and the Convention.

Reports from the Conferences were made by the following:

North Carolina Conference, by Mrs. L. L. Vaughan, President.

Virginia Valley Central Conference, Miss Verdie Showalter, President (report by Mrs. B. F. Frank).

Alabama Conference, by Mrs. E. M. Carter, President.

Georgia and Alabama Conference (no report).

Eastern Virginia Conference, by Mrs. M. L. Bryant, President.

The report of Mrs. W. T. Walters, Treasurer, was read and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Report of young people's work was read and adopted, as follows:

REPORT OF YOUNG PEOPLE'S WORK.

As Superintendent of the Young People for the Southern Christian Convention, I make the following report:

Eastern Virginia Christian Conference: Number of Young People's Societies in 1924, 21; number of Young People's Societies in 1926, 24; number of Willing Workers' Societies in 1924, 13; number of Willing Workers' Societies in 1926, 17; money raised by Young People and Willing Workers' Societies during biennium, $4,032.81.

North Carolina Christian Conference: Number of Young People's Societies in 1924, 14; number of Young People's Societies in 1926, 12; number of Willing Workers' Societies in 1924, 12; number of Willing Workers' Societies in 1926, 8; money raised by Young People and Willing Workers' Societies during biennium, $.....

The Woman's Missionary work of the Alabama Conference is only about two years old, and Mrs. E. M. Carter, President, reports no Young People's Missionary organizations so far. The Christian Endeavor Societies are the

only young people's organizations in the Conference, and only six of these are reported. Mrs. Carter reports the missionary work as moving along very slowly in the Alabama Conference for the great need and want of leadership. She regrets exceedingly, she writes, that their Conference cannot be represented at the Convention, and she asks that the women here will remember them and their young missionary work in your prayers. Can't we do something to help the women and young people to know and realize the great needs of our missionary cause and aid them some way toward organizing the young people?

Have been unable to get reports from the Georgia and Alabama Conference, as well as the Valley Virginia Conference. However, there is very little work being done among the women of the Georgia and Alabama Conference. The work in the Valley Virginia Conference is slowly growing, and it is to be regretted that they failed to make any report.

We feel proud of the splendid work our young people are doing, but when we stop and consider how great is the need and how large the field, we realize that our number of workers is very small and quite insufficient to meet the demands. We must look forward and, with greater interest and zeal, endeavor to organize our young people and help them catch the vision of the great work and opportunity that awaits. May we realize that even greater enthusiasm must be put in our work, and pray more earnestly that the work and workers which we have aided in the past may realize that we are still with them in greater support than ever before.

What can we as a Convention do the coming biennium toward helping to enlist our young people, their interest and influence, in the vital work for which the Church itself was founded?

MRS. RUSSELL T. BRADFORD,
Superintendent Young People.

Report of cradle roll work was read and adopted, as follows:

REPORT OF CRADLE ROLL WORK.

Your Cradle Roll Superintendent begs leave to make the following report:

Mrs. W. H. Baker, Superintendent of Cradle Roll Department of Eastern Virginia Conference reports 17 Cradle Rolls, with a membership of 402, an increase of 3. Money raised, $232.08, an increase of $128.75.

Mrs. C. H. Rowland, Superintendent of Cradle Roll Department of North Carolina Conference, reports 15 Cradle Rolls, with a membership of..... (297 reported two years ago. Money raised, $134.04, an increase of $55.61.

Miss Mamie Summers, Superintendent of Cradle Roll Department of Virginia Valley Central Conference, reports 6 Cradle Rolls, with a membership of 102, an increase of 9, approximately 50 having been promoted to the Willing Workers. Money raised, $75.00; I count this as an increase of $75.00, since the superintendent did not know the amount raised two years ago, and I surely didn't, as I am new in this position.

Have not heard from Mrs. Stephens, of the Alabama Conference, so will report one Cradle Roll with a membership of 7, as given me by our President, Mrs. Williams. No funds reported.

Total number of Cradle Rolls in Southern Christian Convention.....	39
Total number of members of Cradle Rolls.....	808
Total amount raised during biennium.....	$441.12

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. I. W. JOHNSON,
Superintendent Cradle Roll Department.

Miss Gertrude Browne, superintendent of literature and mite boxes, made an oral report of her work.

The Acting President appointed the following committees:

Committee on Nominations—Mrs. L. L. Vaughan, Mrs. W. H. Andrews, Mrs. M. J. W. White, Mrs. B. F. Frank.
Committee on Resolutions—Mrs. W. A. Harper, Mrs. W. H. Carroll, Mrs. C. C. Rawls, Mrs. W. D. Harward.
Committee on Apportionments—Mrs. W. V. Leathers, Mrs. W. R. Sellers, Mrs. E. C. Jones, Mrs. R. L. Williamson.
Committee on Organization—Mrs. M. L. Bryant, Mrs. J. P. Barrett, Mrs. W. D. Parry, Mrs. C. H. Rowland.
Committee on Finance—Mrs. L. W. Stagg, Mrs. A. W. Andes, Mrs. J. G. Holland, Mrs. H. S. Hardcastle.

Mrs. Dan C. Brummit, of Chicago, Ill., brought a most interesting and inspiring address on "Woman's Work," in which she showed the omportance of proper missionary impressions and instruction in the home and the necessity for the Christian attitude in the local community in order that the Christian message may be made effective both at home and abroad.

Adjourned until 10 o'clock Thursday morning.

Benediction by Dr. W. D. Parry, Raleigh, N. C.

SECOND DAY—MORNING SESSION.

Called to order by the Acting President. Devotional period led by Mrs. L. W. Stagg.

Foreign Mission Secretary, Dr. W. P. Minton, Dayton, Ohio, addressed the Convention on "The Place and Power of a Missionary Society."

Report of the Nominating Committee and officers elected, subject to ratification by the Southern Christian Convention, as follows:
President—Mrs. J. A. Williams, Franklin, Va.
Vice-President—Mrs. J. L. Foster, Elon College, N. C.
Recording Secretary—Miss Margaret Alston, Henderson, N. C.
Corresponding Secretary—Mrs. E. L. Beale, Franklin, Va.
Treasurer—Mrs. H. S. Hardcastle, Suffolk, Va.
Superintendent of Literature and Mite Boxes—Miss Gertrude Browne, Elon College, N. C.
Superintendent of Young People—Mrs. Russel Bradford, Suffolk, Va.
Superintendent of Cradle Roll—Mrs. I. W. Johnson, Suffolk, Va.

Report of Apportionment Committee was adopted as follows:

REPORT OF APPORTIONMENT COMMITTEE.

Eastern Virginia Conference for biennium	$13,000.00
Valley Virginia Central Conference	1,000.00
North Carolina Conference	10,000.00
Alabama Conference	750.00
Georgia and Alabama Conference	250.00
Total for biennium	$25,000.00

On motion, it was decided that this Convention shall meet at 10 A. M. Tuesday preceding the Southern Christian Convention, and that the Southern Christian Convention be asked to give this Convention one evening during its sessions.

By motion, a Department of Spiritual Life and Prayer was created, and Mrs. W. H. Carroll was elected superintendent.

Report of Committee on Organization was read and adopted, as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON ORGANIZATION.

Your committee recommends that the matter of organization be referred to the Executive Board.

MRS. M. L. BRYANT.
MRS. J. P. BARRETT.
MRS. W. D. PARRY.
MRS. C. H. ROWLAND.

Report of Committee on Finance was read and adopted, as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

We, your Committee on Finance, recommend that the Conferences of this Convention be apportioned a definite sum sufficient to cover the operating expenses of the Treasurer.

The report of Mrs. W. T. Walters, Treasurer, examined and accepted as read.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. L. W. STAGG.
MRS. A. W. ANDES.
MRS. H. S. HARDCASTLE.
MRS. JAS. G. HOLLAND.

A motion prevailed to center interest this summer on the Mission School at Blue Ridge, and the President was authorized to appoint committees from the various Conferences to arouse interest in the school, the committees to be announced through *The Christian Sun.*

Voted that this Convention send Mrs. C. H. Rowland to the General Convention of the Christian Church, which meets at Urbana, Ill., in October of this year. It was also recommended that the President of each Conference Woman's Board should go to the Convention to represent their Conferences.

Report of special committee, as follows:

REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE.

The committee appointed to work out standard of excellence, beg to recommend that we adopt the standard of excellence worked out by our Woman's Board of the Christian Church.

MRS. C. H. ROWLAND.
MISS GERTRUDE BROWNE.

Minutes were read and adopted.

On motion, the Convention adjourned, to meet at 10 A. M. Tuesday preceding the next biennial session of the Southern Christian Convention.

MRS. J. A. WILLIAMS, *President.*
GERTRUDE BROWNE, *Acting Secretary.*

STATISTICAL TABLE.

Eastern Virginia Conference.—Mrs. M. L. Bryant, Norfolk, Va., President; number of Churches, 47; number Woman's Societies 25, members 1,008; number Young People's Societies 22, members 594; number Willing Workers' Societies 14, members 310; number Cradle Rolls 17, members 399, amount raised $232.08—total amount raised, $12,244.83.

Virginia Valley Central Conference.—Miss Verdie Showalter, President; number Churches, 25; number Woman's Societies 4, members 133, amount raised $397.61; Young People's Societies 6, members 177, amount raised $197.39; number Cradle Rolls 6, members 93, amount raised $75.00—total amount raised, $752.26.

North Carolina Conference.—Mrs. L. L. Vaughan, Raleigh, N. C., President; number of Churches, 110; number Woman's Societies, 37; number Young People's Societies, 12; number Willing Workers' Societies, 8; number Cradle Roll societies 8, amount raised $134.04—total amount raised, $7,242.01.

Alabama Conference.—Mrs. E. M. Carter, President; number of Churches, 27; number Woman's Societies 9, members 134, amount raised $425.00; number Cradle Rolls 1, members 7—total amount raised, $425.00.

Georgia and Alabama Conference.—(No report.)

Totals.—Number Churches, 210; number Woman's Societies 75, members 1,275, amount raised $832.61; number Young People's Societies 40, members 771, amount raised $197.39; number Willing Workers' Societies 22, members 310; number Cradle Rolls 32, members, 499, amount raised $441.12—grand total amount raised, $20,664.10.

Proceedings of the Fourteenth Annual Session of the Eastern Virginia Woman's Missionary Conference.

BETHLEHEM CHRISTIAN CHURCH,
NANSEMOND COUNTY, VA.—OCTOBER 15, 1926.

MORNING SESSION.

The Eastern Virginia Woman's Missionary Conference met in its Fourteenth Annual Session, and was called to order at 10:30 o'clock by the President, Mrs. M. L. Bryant. Devotional service was conducted by Mrs. W. H. Andrews, Suffolk, Va.

Hymn, "This World for Christ."

Welcome address, Mrs. T. H. Dilday, of Bethlehem Church.

Response, Mrs. B. D. Jones, Holland, Va.

Reports from district superintendents, as follows:

Mrs. J. A. Williams, Franklin District: Members, 176; offering, $499.71.

Mrs. H. S. Hardcastle, Nansemond District: Members, 1,440; offering, $1,900.86.

Mrs. B. E. White, Waverly District: Members, 152; offering, $585.41.

Mrs. J. E. Cartwright, Norfolk District: Members, 520; offering, $1,042.17.

Total: Organizations, 80; membership, 2,287; offering, $6,750.34.

Report of Superintendent of Young People, Mrs. R. T. Bradford, read by Mrs. I. W. Johnson. New organizations, 4; members, 934; offering, $1,680.60.

Report of Superintendent Cradle Roll, Mrs. W. H. Baker, read by the Secretary. Societies, 19; members, 391; offering, $126.04.

Roll call of Churches showed 360 representatives and 16 ministers present.

Vocal solo, Rev. O. D. Poythress, South Norfolk, Va.

President's message, "One of Our Obligations."

Male quartette, "Send the Light," Dr. I. W. Johnson, Rev. O. D. Poythress, Rev. B. F. Morgan, Rev. G. A. Pierce.

Address, Lieutenant Governor J. E. West, "Facts of Our Own Work."

An appeal for the James O'Kelly Memorial Fund was made by Dr.

J. O. Atkinson, and it was voted to give the offering of the day for same.

Report of the Treasurer, Mrs. W. V. Leathers, as follows:

REPORT OF TREASURER.

Receipts.

WOMEN'S SOCIETIES.

Antioch	$ 102.55	Isle of Wight Courthouse	43.00
Berea, Nansemond	177.50	Liberty Spring	159.20
Bethlehem	108.60	Mt. Carmel	74.35
Christian Temple	304.00	Newport News	97.70
Cypress Chapel	80.80	Oakland	89.76
Damascus	89.50	Portsmouth	91.54
Dendron	117.10	Richmond	78.50
Dover	202.60	Rosemont	157.29
Elm Avenue	61.25	Suffolk	1,105.45
First, Norfolk	136.75	Wakefield	93.83
Franklin	192.35	Waverly	125.80
Holy Neck	213.50	Windsor	77.10
Holland	242.15		
		Total	$4,221.99

YOUNG PEOPLE'S SOCIETIES.

Antioch	$ 23.88	Holland	150.76
Berea, Nansemond	111.80	Liberty Spring	76.35
Bethlehem	96.99	New Lebanon	20.40
Burton's Grove	20.00	Newport News	6.95
Christian Temple	102.26	Portsmouth	37.00
Cypress Chapel	41.50	Suffolk	492.35
Damascus	30.00	Spring Hill	17.30
Dendron	65.30	Union, Surry	26.50
Dover	101.25	Waverly	51.36
First, Norfolk	56.05	Windsor	42.50
Franklin	57.20		
Holy Neck	52.90	Total	$1,680.60

WILLING WORKERS' SOCIETIES.

Berea, Nansemond	$ 51.20	Mt. Carmel	15.60
Bethlehem	32.60	Newport News	4.90
Christian Temple	51.73	Rosemont	32.00
Cypress Chapel	2.70	Suffolk	60.16
First, Norfolk	57.50	Spring Hill	3.20
Franklin	57.70	Waverly	17.67
Holy Neck	57.20	Windsor	37.50
Holland	90.00		
Liberty Spring	1.00	Total	$ 572.66

CRADLE ROLL SOCIETIES.

Antioch	$ 3.21	Liberty Spring	8.00
Berea, Nansemond	9.28	Newport News	13.50
Bethlehem	2.91	Richmond	3.15
Christian Temple	9.66	Rosemont	14.25
Cypress Chapel	4.00	Suffolk	14.15
Damascus	7.80	Oak Grove	7.71
First, Norfolk	4.50	Wakefield	.80
Franklin	10.00	Windsor	2.15
Holy Neck	7.50		
Holland	8.13	Total	$ 130.70

SUMMARY.

Women's Societies	$4,221.99
Young People's Societies	1,680.60
Willing Workers' Societies	572.66
Cradle Roll Societies	130.70
Christian Endeavor Society, Suffolk	100.00
Rally offerings	65.16
Offering, October 15th	52.08
Grand total	$6,823.19

Disbursements.

WOMEN'S SOCIETIES.

General fund (dues)	$ 200.00	S. School, Japan (Suffolk)	12.50
Home special (Richmond)	821.45	Mary Gilbert, Elon Orphanage (Suffolk)	15.00
Foreign special (Japan)	552.27		
Matsuno's salary (Dover)	50.00	Irene Boone, Elon Orphanage (Holland)	15.00
Kitano's salary (Suffolk)	440.00		
Kitano's salary (Suffolk)	100.00		
		Total	$2,206.22

YOUNG PEOPLE'S SOCIETIES.

Mountain work in Virginia	$ 287.33	Matsuno's salary Dover)	37.50
Santa Isabel pastor's salary	287.31		
Orphan at Elon (Suffolk)	75.00	Total	$ 687.14

WILLING WORKERS' SOCIETIES.		CRADLE ROLL SOCIETIES.	
Mountain work in Virginia	$ 163.90	Elon Baby Home	$ 38.56
Santa Isabel pastor's salary	163.90	Kindergarten in Japan	38.56
Total	$ 327.80	Total	$ 77.12

SUMMARY.

Women's Societies	$2,206.22
Young People's Societies	687.14
Willing Workers' Societies	327.80
Cradle Roll Societies	77.12
O'Kelly Memorial	52.08
Total disbursements	$3,350.36

Respcetfully submitted,

MRS. W. V. LEATHERS,
Treasurer.

The chair appointed committees as follows:

Nominations—Mrs. W. H. Andrews, Mrs. J. H. Lightbourne, Mrs. C. H. Rudd.

Resolutions—Mrs. B. E. Jones, Mrs. C. C. Ryan, Mrs. J. G. Holland.

Place of Meeting—Mrs. N. G. Newman, Mrs. J. W. Manning.

Offering, $46.43.

Adjourned for dinner, following prayer by Dr. W. D. Harward.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Called to order 2:30 o'clock.

Hymn, "This World for Christ."

Devotional service, Mrs. W. D. Harward, Windsor, Va.

Address, Dr. J. O. Atkinson, "Relationship of Missions to the Church."

Male quartette, "Send the Light."

Report of Blue Ridge Summer School of Missions, and talk on "Mission Study Books," given by Mrs. W. V. Leathers.

Banners awarded by Rev. H. S. Hardcastle, as follows: Women, Windsor; Young People, Suffolk and Holland; Willing Workers, Rosemont and Windsor; Cradle Roll, Suffolk and Holland; Honorable mention: Berea (Nan.), Bethlehem, Christian Temple, Cypress Chapel, Berkley, Franklin, Holy Neck, Holland, Suffolk, Windsor.

Reports of committees adopted, as follows:

REPORT OF NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE.

President—Mrs. M. L. Bryant.
Vice-President—Mrs. M. J. W. White.
Secretary—Mrs. L. W. Stagg.
Treasurer—Mrs. W. V. Leathers.
Superintendent Young People—Mrs. R. T. Bradford.
Superintendent Literature—Mrs. J. E. Cartwright.
Superintendent Cradle Roll—Mrs. W. H. Baker.

REPORT OF RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE.

1. That we express our appreciation of the splendid program, and to the officers for efficient service rendered this Conference year.
2. That an effort be made to stimulate increased interest in our Church literature and mission study.
3. That this Conference express by a rising vote of thanks its appreciation of the gracious hospitality extended us today by this Church.

MRS. B. E. JONES,
MRS. C. C. RYAN,
MRS. J. G. HOLLAND,
Committee.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PLACE OF MEETING.

Christian Temple, Norfolk, Va., will be the next place of meeting.

It was voted to have the Secretary write Mrs. J. E. Cartwright, Superintendent of Literature, and Mrs. R. T. Bradford, Superintendent of Young People, who were absent because of illness, and express the appreciation of this Conference of the splendid work being done in each of these departments.

Closing service by Rev. J. G. Truitt.

Adjourned to meet with the Christian Temple in October, 1927.

Respectfully submitted,
MRS. L. W. STAGG, *Secretary.*

Minutes of the Thirteenth Annual Session of the North Carolina Woman's Missionary Conference.

MORNING SESSION.

The Woman's Missionary Conference of the North Carolina Christian Conference met in annual session at the Raleigh Christian Church on Friday, November 5, 1926.

The meeting was called to order by the President, Mrs. L. L. Vaughan. After the singing of "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name," a devotional was led by Mrs. J. Lee Johnson, of the Wake Chapel Society. She read the ninth chapter of Second Corinthians, followed by prayer.

One hundred and thirty-two (132) delegates reported to roll-call.

The following officers reported:

In the absence of the Secretary, Mrs. W. A. Harper, Mrs. W. R. Sellars was requested to read her report.

Mrs. Harper's resignation was accepted.

The President requested Mrs. Sellars to act as Secretary.

Mrs. W. R. Sellars, the efficient Treasurer, reported a total received from woman's societies the past year of $2,994.22; from young people's societies, $458.83; from junior young people's, $91.50; from Willing Workers, $188; Cradle Roll, $124.87; district meetings, $73.90; Conference offering, $40.23—total, $3,971.55. The goal for the year was $4,000, making the deficit $28.45. Mrs. Sellars' report adopted.

Miss Mary D. Atkinson, supreintendent of Young People's Societies, presented a chart showing what each society had paid during the year. Report adopted, and Miss Atkinson requested to have same printed in *The Christian Sun.*

The superintendent of literature had no report. President requested members to visit literature table; also urged members to subscribe to *Everyland,* as our North Carolina Conference had been asked to subscribe for twenty-five.

Mrs. C. H. Rowland, superintendent of cradle roll, made an impressive verbal report, stressing a demonstration she had seen at Blue Ridge to awaken interest in cradle roll work. Eight cradle rolls had been active during year.

Mrs. J. A. Williams, President of our Southern Woman's Board, was presented and expressed pleasure at meeting with the session.

The district leaders reported splendid rallies held the past spring. Three splendid reports were read—Miss Margaret Alston, of the Vance, Franklin and Warren District; Mrs. J. B. Montgomery, of the

Alamance, and Miss Emma Hart, of the Lee Chatham. Mrs. Isaac Foust gave a verbal report of the Randolph District. Mrs. C. H. Rowland recommended that the district reports be adopted.

It was moved and adopted that next year the district leaders make the reports for all societies in their group.

The President presented and acknowledged the twelve ministers present and expressed the pleasure of the Conference in having so many interested.

The societies were well represented. Twenty-three (23) Woman's Societies, eight (8) Young People's Societies, three (3) Junior Young People's, seven (7) Willing Workers, eight (8) Cradle Rolls read reports from the floor, and all were excellent. We have thirty-six (36) active Woman's Societies, with a membership of eight hundred and ten (810), two hundred and sixty-nine (269) of whom take the *Christian Missionary.*

Mrs. Vaughan, President, presented a message full of recommendations for the help and good of the organization. Her question of what constitutes an effective organization was answered by the laying of a foundation of prayer and building with faith and service.

A delightful musical program was given by Miss Louise Brockwell and Mrs. Fred Wheeler, accompanied by Mrs. W. D. Parry.

A special offering of $40.23 was taken, this to paint the Rocky Ford Church.

After the appointment of the special committees, the Conference adjourned and was served a bountiful dinner by the ladies of the Raleigh Church.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The afternoon session was opened by devotional service conducted by Mrs. W. M. Jay, of Elon College. Her Scripture lesson was the 3rd chapter of Phil. She spoke very forcefully of Paul's purpose, his zeal for God, how from the day he met Jesus on Damascus road his life was dominated by Christ. A series of prayers was led by Dr. Atkinson and closed by Mrs. Jay.

Mrs. Rowland's subject was "Echoes from the General Convention" at Urbana, Ill. She stressed 10 cents per member for the Ella G. Gunston promotion fund. She spoke of the personal feeling the Convention felt for the McKnights. "They were in Urbana and sailed today," she said. This was November 5th.

Mrs. Denison's retirement as president of the Woman's Board was noted. She had done a wonderful service. Mrs. Hanhauser assumed the office.

REPORT OF NOMINATING COMMITTEE.

The Nominating Committee submits the following report:
President—Mrs. L. L. Vaughan.
Vice-President—Mrs. Stanley C. Harrell.
Secretary—Mrs. J. J. Henderson.
Assistant Secretary—Miss Nonie Moore.
Treasurer—Mrs. W. R. Sellars.
Superintendent Young People—Miss Mary D. Atkinson.
Superintendent Literature and Mite Boxes—Mrs. O. W. Johnson.
Superintendent Cradle Roll—Mrs. C. H. Rowland.
Superintendent Spiritual Life—Mrs. W. H. Carroll.

MRS. J. B. MONTGOMERY (*Chairman*),
MRS. KERNODLE,
MRS. GEORGE MACON,
MRS. L. B. WICKER,
Committee.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON AWARDING BANNERS.

We, your Committee on Awarding Banners, report as follows: Piney Plains A3, Pleasant Ridge A3, Mt. Gilead A1, Raleigh A1.

Others recognized for efficiency: Burlington, Elon College, Ether, Graham Greensboro, H. Chapel, Liberty (Va.), Liberty (Vance), Sanford, Shallow Ford, Reidsville, Turner's Chapel, Seagrove, Wake Chapel, Providence Memorial.

MRS. C. W. GERRINGER,
MRS. J. LEE JOHNSON,
MRS. J. H. BROOKS,
MRS. C. H. ROWLAND,
Committee.

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE.

The Finance Committee accepts the Treasurer's report and appreciates the auditing of the books by Mr. J. M. Fix, of Burlington.

We recommend that the books be audited each year.

We also recommend that the apportionment of each society be decided by Woman's Board, and that the secretary of each society be sent a notice of that decision.

We recommend that we adopt the apportionment scheduled as arranged by the Southern Woman's Board of $10,000 for the biennial, to be divided as follows:

Women's Societies		$3,500.00
Richmond work	$1,650.00	
Foreign	1,650.00	
General purpose	200.00	
Young People and Willing Workers		1,300.00
Mountain work	$ 650.00	
Foreign	650.00	
Cradle Roll		200.00
Kindergarten work, Japan	100.00	
Elon Orphanage	100.00	

Respectfully submitted,
MRS. W. S. ALEXANDER,
MRS. W. H. BOONE,
MRS. R. E. HARDEN,
MRS. W. D. PARRY, *Ch'n,*
Committee.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON TIME AND PLACE.

The Conference was invited to meet in Durham in 1927.

REPORT OF RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE.

We, your Committee on Resolutions, wish to submit the following:

First: That we express our thanks and appreciation to Mrs. L. L. Vaughan for the efficient work she has rendered as President of our Board; to Mrs. W. A. Harper for the efficient work she has rendered as Secretary, and we express our regrets as to her resignation; also to Mrs. W. R. Sellars for her faithful and efficient service as Treasurer; and to the district leaders for their interest and co-operation in trying to forward the mission work in our Conference.

Second: That we express our thanks to the Raleigh Church for the special music rendered.

Third: That we express our sincere thanks and appreciation to the ladies of the Raleigh Church for the bountiful dinner served and for their kind hospitality.

Respectfully submitted,

MARGARET ALSTON, *Chairman,*
MRS. W. H. HUDSON,
MRS. DUNN,
MRS. STEPHENSON,
MRS. JONES,
Committee.

The committee reports were adopted as a whole, with thanks.

RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE WOMAN'S BOARD TO MEMBERS OF THIS CONVENTION.

We, your Woman's Board, wish to recommend the following:

1. That the date of the annual meeting be changed to a date earlier in October, this date to be decided on by the Board.

2. That we adopt the apportionment schedule as arranged by the Southern Woman's Board of $10,000 for the biennial, to be divided as recommended in the Finance Committee's report.

3. That the local societies be urged to send a representative to the Mission Conference at Blue Ridge.

4. That this Board send a representative to this Conference and pay all her expenses, and that the Elon Chautauqua be asked to use this representative in their school.

5. That we adopt the standard of excellence sent out by the Woman's Board at Dayton.

6. That we approve action of Southern Woman's Board at Durham in creating a department of spiritual life, and that this Conference elect a superintendent of the same.

The recommendations from the Woman's Board were read and adopted.

Dr. J. O. Atkinson, Mission Secretary, addressed the Conference on "Our Greatest Task." His objective was to show that mission work is an essential work of each Church and individual. That we begin our work at home, in the Church, the community, and gradually broaden our circle to the uttermost parts of the earth.

The benediction was pronounced by Dr. W. D. Parry, pastor of the Raleigh Church.

MRS. JOHN J. HENDERSON,
Secretary.

Minutes of the Christian Missionary Association of North Carolina Christian Conference.

BURLINGTON, N. C., DECEMBER 7, 1926.

MORNING SESSION.

The Association met with the Burlington Christian Church and was called to order by Dr. W. C. Wicker. Opening prayer by Dr. C. H. Rowland.

Dr. Wicker stated that this meeting of the Association was to have been held in conjunction with the session of the North Carolina Christian Conference, but since no Church had invited the Conference, this meeting is called to devise plans for the Christian Missionary Association.

Dr. J. O. Atkinson read the minutes of the Executive Committee, which were approved.

Enrollment of members present.

The following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

President—Dr. W. C. Wicker.
Vice-President—Dr. C. H. Rowland.
Secretary-Treasurer—Rev. Stanley C. Harrell.

Moved and carried that the Association allow the expenses of the Secretary-Treasurer, subject to the approval of the Executive Committee of the Association.

Moved and carried that the President and the Secretary-Treasurer be two membesr of the Executive Committee, and that the Association elect three others. On motion, J. U. Gunter, W. K. Holt, and G. O. Langford were elected the other members of the Executive Committee.

Moved and carried that a member is eligible to vote during a session of the Association, provided he has paid his annual membership fee before or during the session.

Moved and carried that the Association year run from the close of one session until the close of the following session.

R. A. Whitten and Geo. T. Whitaker were appointed an Auditing Committee.

J. O. Atkinson, Stanley C. Harrell, and G. O. Lankford were appointed a Committee on Field of Work.

Moved to adjourn until 2:30 P. M.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Association was called to order by the President. Prayer by Rev. R. A. Whitten.

The Auditing Committee reported as follows:

REPORT OF AUDITING COMMITTEE.

We have examined the account of Dr. J. O. Atkinson, Treasurer, and find the same correct, with a balance of $634.28, which we are turning over to Stanley C. Harrell, Secretary-Treasurer.

GEO. T. WHITAKER,
R. A. WHITTEN,
Committee.

On motion, the report was adopted.

The Secretary called the roll and collected membership fees amounting to $50.00.

The Committee on Field of Work reported as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FIELD OF WORK.

We, your Committee on Field of Work, realize the extreme needs and demands of the Churches at Cary and Franklinton, and recommend that the appropriations of our funds at this session be confined to these two points. We recommend that the sum of $650.00 be appropriated to these two points; that the ratio of distribution of this amount to these two points be left to the Executive Committee, but that whatever the ratio of distribution, the appropriation be made on a basis of two dollars by the local Church for each dollar appropriated by the Association.

We recommend that the Secretary of this Association prepare an application blank for Association funds, and that in the future these application blanks be filled out by the institutions or organizations making application for any appropriations from this Association.

We recommend that our Secretary see to it that the demands of our Association be laid before all the Conferences of the State at their annual sessions.

J. O. ATKINSON,
G. O. LANKFORD,
STANLEY C. HARRELL,
Committee.

On motion, the report was adopted.

Moved and carried that the Association request the Executive Committee of the North Carolina Christian Conference to donate to this Association all the office equipment of the Home Mission Board of said Conference.

Moved and carried that the Executive Committee be authorized to appropriate to any especially needy fields such money as may be collected on pledges for 1925-26.

Moved and carried that the Executive Committee be authorized to determine place and program for the next session, and that the time of meeting be Thursday after the first Sunday in December.

Moved and carried that Committees on Fields and Plans, Organization, and Literature be appointed.

Committee on Fields and Plans—J. O. Atkinson, R. A. Whitten, and G. O. Lankford.

Committee on Organization—Stanley C. Harrell, C. H. Rowland, and W. K. Holt.

Committee on Literature—Mrs. C. H. Rowland, P. T. Klapp, and W. S. Alexander.

Moved and carried that the minutes be printed in THE CHRISTIAN ANNUAL, arrangements to be made by the Secretary.

Moved and carried that we give a vote of thanks to the Burlington Christian Church, and especially to Bro. W. K. Holt, for the splendid entertainment.

On motion, the Association adjourned. Closing prayer by Rev. W. S. Alexander.

W. C. WICKER, *President*.

Elon College, N. C.

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